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HEINRICH," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. Supmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA. Shipping Orders, will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 30th April, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 1st May, and Parcels

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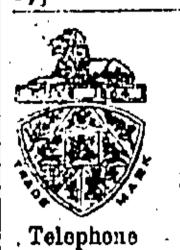
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MANAGER.

NIOTICE is hereby given that an EX N TRAORDINRY, GENERAL MEET ING of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Company's Hotel on TUESDAY, the 24th April, 1,900, at 12 O'clock (NOON), when the Subjoined resolution which was passed at the extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 27th day of March, 1900, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution.

"That the New regulations already approved "by this meeting, and for the purpose of "identification subscribed by the Chairman "thereof, be, and the same are, hereby approved, "and that such regulations be, and the same "are, hereby adopted as the regulations of the "Company to the exclusion of all the existing " regulations thereof." A copy of the proposed new regulations may

be seen at the Company's Office, and can be obtained by application to the Under signed. Dated Honkong, the 2nd day of April, 1900. By Order of the Board, G. MOONEY,

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-

ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the on SATURDAY, 28th April, 1900 at Noon, when the subjoined Resolution which was passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on the 12th April, 1900 will be submitted for confirmation. RESOLUTION.

That the Capital of the Company be increased to 1,000,000 by the creation and issue of 50,000 New Shares of \$10, each fully paid up. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1900.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED will beheld at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 2, Connaught Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRI-DAY, the 4th day of May, 1900, at 12 o'clock (Noon), when the SUBJOINED RESOLU-TIONS which were passed at the EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company held on the 18th day of April, 1900, will be submitted for confirmation as SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS.

1.-That the Capital of the Company be increased from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000 by the creation of 10,000 New Shares of \$50 each. . 2.—That such New Shares be issued at a

Premium of \$25 per Share and be allotted to the Shareholders of the Company in the proportion of One New Share for every Two Shares now held by them. 3. That the Amount due for the New Shares be called up as follows, viz:-

\$50 per Share on the 1st July, 1900, to rank for Six months Dividend out of the Profits of the Year 1900, and the remaining \$25 per Share on the 1st October,

Dated the 18th day of April, 1900. By Order of the Board,

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

GERMAN SCHOOL.

THE SUMMER TERM will commence

on MONDAY, the 23rd instant, a.c. There are a few vacancies, and parents desirous to send their Children will please communicate with the undersigned. PAUL BREWITT,

Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 10th April, 1900. [473b]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF

CANTON, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

N INTERIM BONUS of Twenty per

cent. upon Contributions for the year 1809 has been declared. Warrents will be issued on the 1st May,

By Order of the Board, W. J. SAUNDERS,

Hongkong, 20th April, 1900.

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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

THE FREE STATE.

GOOD WATER SUPPLY.

BOERS TRYING TO INTERCEPT

GENERAL CARRINGTON.

Torrential rains in the Free State

The Standard's correspondent at

The Daily Mail correspondent says

that a force of Boers has started to

intercept General Carrington's force

THE ASHANTI TROUBLE.

FORCES FOR THE COLD-COAST.

Houssas has been landed at Accra,

The Governor of the Gold Coast asks

for all available forces. Coomassie is

BOERS BETWEEN SUNDAY RIVER

AND DUNDEE.

smith says that Boer Commandos,

estimated at 15,000 strong, scattered

over the fortified ridges between

Sundays River and Dundee are vainly

[33] awaiting the British advance.

Reuter's correspondent at Lady-

Blue-jackets

LATER.

Bloemfontein states that there are

1,000 sick in the field hospitals.

are delaying transport work, though

securing the water supply.

in Rhodesia.

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Lordon, April 19th.

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- W. PFLUEGER,

 General Representative. Hongkong, 21st April, 1900. DOUGDAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

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"FORMOSA." Captain Douglas, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 24th inst., at For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIR & Co., General Managers. [522b] grape, and are not artificially made Hongkong, 21st April, 1900.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGA , TION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM KOBE AND MANILA THE Steamship

"MARIA VAĈERIÉ." having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Whatf and Godown Company, ties will be supplied at proportionate

Limited, whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 28th instant, or they will not be recognised.

direct from us in the Colony or from No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the our authorised Agents at the Coast 28th instant, will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SÄNDER, WIELER & Co.,

Agents. ... Hongkong, 21st April, 1900. TORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "GLENOGLE," FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-HAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAL

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel

will be landed and stored at Consigners' risk DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

Hongkong, 21st April, 1900. TORTHERN - PACIFIC STEAMSHII

COMPANY

S.S. "DALNYVOSTOCK." Cargo shipped by s.s. Dalnyvostock in Tacoma for Hongkong and the South has been transhipped at Kobe and forwarded to Hongkong by s.s. Glenogle which arrived

TO-DAY, the 21st instant. The Cargo will be landed at Kowloon Wharf Company, West Point Godown, whence deli very will be made. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1899,

Imperial Government Paper Mills.

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THE POWERS WILL NOT INTERVENE.

IN EUROPE.

The Boer peace delegates are still at the Hague and have had audience with the Queen. It is understood that their mission is futile, as no Power will infervone.

THE CHINA SQUADRON.

II. M. S. Argonaut has been commissioned to replace H. M. S. Undannted on the China Station.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:-

On the 21st at 11.35 a.m. the barometer has risen on the E. coast of China, fallen on the S. coast. Pressure is high over N.E. China, and gradients are slight to moderate for N.E. winds on the coast generally. FORECAST:-Moderate to fresh E. winds; showery.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE following clipping from an Indian exchange will interest many Hongkongites :-Colonel Barrew, Commanding the Kohal Kurran Force, goes to Naini Tal as Deputy Adjutant-General, vice Colonel Young.

HARBERS' shops in Sweden have howls in which one can wash one's face without using the hands. On touching a button the water spurts up like a small fountain, and the man who has been shaved holds his face in it till the soap is all washed away.

THE Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play at the Hongkong Hotel this evening, from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.:-

PROGRAMME.
March
Overture
Selection " Dandy Dick Whittington " Caryll. Waltz "Anhelos " Ercilla.
- Famasia A Pastoral Scene Hume,
Gallop "Valtergeister" Faust.
"God save the Queen."
The Principle of the Pr

MR. Joostens, the new Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from Belgium to Siam and China, arrived at Bangkok by the steamer Singapore on 7th instant, and was met by Mr. Vincart, Belgian Consul-General and other members of the Belgian community there. He will present his credentials to the Court of Bangkok, and then go on to Peking.

A CERTAIN Abdul Karim Munshi tells the Advocate of India that Lord Northcote's arrival in Bombay is especially held auspicious by the Mussulmans, as the name 'Lord Northcote itself is a chronogram hearing the exact current year of the Muham-madan era. This method of counting the years of good and bad events is well-known' all over the Moslem world by the name of abjud.

A BULLET-PROOF train, capable of travelling over the open yeldt or wherever a wheeled conveyance may go, will shortly be shipped to South Africa from the works of Messrs. John Fowler and Co., Leeds. No rails being required, the danger of derailment is therefore obviated, and the train will be able to approach much nearer. an enemy's position than, is now possible. The train will consist of a powerful traction engine and four waggons, the latter capable of being converted into a minature fort for riflemen in action.

What is an amateur at billiards asks a paperi An amateur at billiards is the player who constantly exclaims "What luck, I'm having! whose ambition is to make a six stroke; who apologises for potting the white and calls out "What! Whitechapel again," when his opponent does so. Who gets on the table instead of using the long rest; and who never ceases to explain how bad the balls are, and how dull the cushions, and how slow the cloth; and who is commonly heard to explain how he "can't see a ball to-day."

Miss Julia Seaman, actress, who had a great vogue as Hamlet in the days when Shakespeare was "put on," but never "produced," tells an excellent story apropos of the conditions that then prevailed. For the graveyard scene the propertyman used to give her any kind of a skull, a different one every night. Sometimes it was of painted cloth, stuffed with brown paper; sometimes carved from a stale loaf and painted. One evening, as she took it, she heard the property-man say, "Please be very careful." She noticed the skull seemed light, but as she warmed to her work, she forgot everything and let it slip from her hands. To her horror it floated away to the flames of the footlights, where it burst with a loud snap! The property man had given her an inflated bladder, painted to resemble a skull !

MR. Joseph Walton, M. P. for Barnsley, who was recently travelling in China, has been calling the attention of the Government to British interests in China. Unfortunately, this seems to be hardly the time to stir in the matter, when England is fully occupied with the Transvaal and other South African affairs. The Peking Syndicate was mentioned by Mr. Brodrick, who said that serious undertakings like this would be supported by the Government. Referring to Chinese internal navigation, Mr. Brodrick said that British gunboats would continue to be employed. Apparently however, perhaps because of some order or restriction as to not taking any offensive action, unless absolutely compelled in self defense, the presence of these river gunboats is not taken much notice

waterways. This, however, they have hitherto failed to do, as is well showd by the extract from the-Veterinary Surgeons Report we published this

of, at all events by pirates on the West River

Mr. Brodrick also said that the policy of the

British Government was not to acquire addi-

THE BOER PEACE COMMISSION THE following promotions have been made in the Police Force :- Second Class Inspector Ford to be Acting First Class Inspector, vice Inspector Hannah, on leave; Third Class Inspector McNab to be 'Acting' Second Class Inspector vice Inspector Ford, promoted; Third Class Inspector Warnock to be Acting Second Class Inspector, vice Inspector Scott, on leave.

> THE noble rage of the modern philatelist sometimes approaches the sublime, as the following advertisement, which recently appeared in a Parisian journal, abundantly proves :- " Matrimony : A collector of postage stamps, possessing 12,544 specimens, desires to contract a marriage with a young lady, also a collector, who has the blue Mauritius penny stamp of 1847. No others need apply."

> MRS. Annie Besant is starting a school and college at Benares for Hindu boys. It will be the Eton and Oxford of the East. There will be a European headmaster and a European principal, but the resident superintendent (who will look after the boarders) will be a Brahman. Mrs. Besant has been lecturing all over India on behalf of her scheme, and has induced Rajahs and Maharajahs without end to form committees and give their support.

A PAPER published in Guadalajara, Mexico, called "La Gaceta," part in English and part in Spanish, prints in a prominent place the following:---

"Will the gentleman who embraced my wife: at the entrance to the post-office about nine o'clock Thursday evening, please send me his photograph for my 'Albam of Heroes?' will greatly oblige."

THE steamship Machezo got stuck on the bar yesterday while coming in from Hongkong, says the Bangkok Times of 9th inst. Mr. Naylor was a passenger on board, and to relieve the stedium of waiting, a sail on a boat was suggested, A dhingy without ballast was put over in a good, breeze, and sailed all right on the wind, but directly she commenced to run before it, through some mishap, perhaps too much sail, the boat turned over, and Mr. Naylor, the second officer, and two Chinese were left clinging to her bottom for three-quarters of an hour. They were then -rescued from the ship.

A Daily Mail representative has ascertained that the War Office has received information that for some time past certain Boer commandoes have been quietly and secretly accumulate ing vast quantities of stores and ammunition in the mountain fastnesses of the Zoutpansberg district, away to the north of the Transvaal and adjacent to the Rhodesian frontier and the upper basin of the Limpopo River. Here, it is believed, a number of Boer irreconcilables may hold out and give trouble even after peace has been declared. In order to be prepared for such a contingency the Colonial Office has deemed it advisable to enlist the services of the bushmen of Australia, who are eminetly suited for this class of guerilla warfare.

THE SECOND INDIAN FAMINE FUND ENTERTAINMENT:

Another most enjoyable concert, was given last evening, in the City Hall, in aid of the Indian Famine Fund.

The house was well filled, considering the heat, and the programme, was a well varied, and excellent one, commencing by an overture by the band of the R. W. F. Next followed an Indian dance of a somewhat weird character, by the following-ladies and gentlemen, in costume, Misses. Anita D'almada, e Castro, Hance, Henderson, Stopani M. D'almada e Remedios, F. D'almada e Remedios, M. Seth and M. Sayer. Messrs. Armstrong, Danby, Henderson, Hance, Ellis, N. Seth, Bain, and S.

Mr. Grace then sang "The Bandolero" in his usual excellent style, and responded to an encore, by repeating the second verse.

The quartette " Brightly dawns ours weddingday," from the Mikado" was well rendered by Mrs. Lowson, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Alec Marsh, and Mr. C. H. Lammert, and met with great applause. Mr. Walwyn, R.W.F., then woke the house up to enthusiasm, by the lively chorus, of "What Ho! she Bumps!" which was taken up and repeated by some of the audience, with great vigour. Responding to a loud recall, he sang "Father's got 'em."

The first part of the programme, concluded with the well-known farce "The Area Belle," in which Mrs. Borrett as the maid with many lovers, made a spritcly, and coquettish Penelope. Mr. Sexton, as "Pitcher," the policeman, it is needless to say, acted to the life, while Mr. Noble, as "Tooser" was an equally good "Tommy Atkins." Mr. Chapman, as the somewhat stolid but romantic purveyor of clous selection of steamers proceeding widt milk, acted his part well. Mrs. Francis Clark Amoy. made an excellent Mrs. Croaker. The little play, was bright throughout, and went off with spirit, and without a hitch.

After an interval of ten minutes, the band played a lively selection from the "Goisha" and "The Runaway Girl."

Mrs. Lowson next charmed the audience with a sweet rendering of "Asthore," and as an encore sang a soft lullaby song. Mr. Alec Marsh, then sang, in costume, the

"Prologue-Paliaca," in fine dramatic style, his acting and singing, being alike equally good. The programme concluded, with the better part of the first act of the "Mikado." This is rather an ambitious subject to aftempt for a concert, especially without a band. It is difficult too, to cut out parts from so well known a work, so as to prevent slight lagging and gaps. Some of the performers are deserving of special praise, notably, the three little maids from school, (Mrs. Hagan, Miss Stopani, and Mrs. Borrett), and Pooli-Bah (Mr. Sexton) whose get-up, expression, and acting are, as we know more professional than amateur. The scenery and dresses were particularly attractive, the latter we understand being specially lent for the occasion by Messrs Kuhn and Komor.

THE PLAGUE.

The third and last of these entertainments

will be given this evening.

Cases reported to 20th instant 60 Do. do. during past 24 hours... 7 tional land in China, but to keep open the Deaths reported to 20th instant...... 50 Do. do. during past 24 hours: 12:4

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

At the monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, held at 3.15 p.m. on Wednesday, the 18th April, 1900, Present; Messrs, R. N. Gray (Chairman), A. Haupt, J. J. Keswick, N. A. Siebs, Herbert Smith, and R. C. Wilcox, Secretary). . MINUTES.

ing (held, 12th March), were read and confirmed...

RESIGNATIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE. The Secretary reported that Messrs. H. A. Ritchie and A. McConachie resigned their seats on the 28th and 29th March respectivel and the Hon. Whitehead on the 13th Apri and that Sir Thomas Jackson, had gone home on six months' leave.

The imminence of the annual meeting rendered unnecessary any consideration of these vacancies on the Committee.

THE REDUCTION OF CABLE RATES. .. Read letter from Tientsin Chamber of Commerce, dated 13rd February, acknowledging receipt of Chamber's circular letter's of 10th August and 6th Oct., and enclosing copy of a resolution passed at their last committee meeting on the subjects of cable rates, ...

Also read letters from the manager in Lon-Dependencies of the state of th

A letter of acknowledgment and thanks for the latter had been addressed to Mr. Vonder Pfordten by the acting Secretary.

the present; it would come up at the congress of Chambers. TARIFF REVISION IN CHINA. Read letter from H. E. Sir Claude Mac-

donald, H. B. M's Minister in China, in reply to the Chamber's letter of 22nd February, stating that there was no truth in the rumour that negotiations with the Chinese Government in reference to a revision of the Tariff were

being pushed on rapidly. This letter had, the Secretary reported, already been published in the local Press for general information.

PIRACIES ON THE WEST RIVER. In connection with the above subject, a letter had been received from the Acting Colonial Secretary, enclosing extract from a letter from Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Seymour suggesting that inerchant vessels should take only oneroute from Shamshui to the sea, along which they would have the protection of gunboats, and asking the Chamber's opinion on the route named.

After some discussion, in which it was stated that the masters of the steamers plying on the river were being consulted, it was decided to reply to the effect that so soon as the opinions of those concerned had been obtained, an answer would be sent to the inquiry. JAPANESE "SAFETY MATCHES."

Read letter from the Government, received on the 6th April, transmitting a suggestion by the Acting Harbour Master that, in view of the fact that two fires had occurred on board vessels. in part in consequence of spontaneous combustion of so-called Japanese "safety, matches" among the cargo, these matches should; when the new Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance comes into force, be classed, under its provisions, as dangerous goods.

Considerable discussion ensued on this proposal, which it was thought was calculated, if carried into effect, to divert an important trade from the port, and it was decided to write to the Government deprecating immediate action in the direction indicated. It was also resolved to bring the matter to the attention of the Chamber of Commerce at Kobe and Yokohama, with a view to get them to urge upon manufacturer the desirability of making the matches genuine "gafely matches." THE CANADIAN MAIL CONTRACT

A letter, dated toth April, from the acting agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., Royal Mail S. S. Line, was read, which announced that the contract for the carriage of the mails from Vancouver to Hongkong will expire in May, 1901, and asked the Chamber to support the Company's application for a renewal

"The subject was discussed at some length, and eventually the following resolution was proposed by the Chairman:-That in the opinion of this Chamber it is

desirable the contract between Her Majesty's Government and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the carriage of mails from Hongkong, via the Pacifi and Vancouver, which will expire in May 1901, should be renewed, if possible with an accelerated and fortnightly service: Hon. J. I. Keswick seconded, and it was arried unaminously.. :

POSTAL COMPLAINT FROM MANILA. Read letter from the Manila Chamber of Commerce complaining of the late receipt at that port of European mails from Hongkong, and pointing out that this arose from injudi-

THE YACANT SEAT ON THE LEGISLATIVE.

Read letter from H.E. the acting Governor, dated 17th April, and received that morning, stating that Mr. Whitehead had been granted nine months leave of absence, and requesting the Chamber to submit the name of a member to fill the vacancy.

It was decided to include the nomination at the annual general meeting of members shortly to be held: THE ANNUAL MEETING.

This was fixed for Monday, the 30th April. at 3 o'clock p.m. THE DRAFT REPORT Was then considered, paragraph by para-

graph, and passed.

bamboos and the other of wood, were floating be ordered the removal of the obstruction was down from Sze Wai in the Nam Hoi district, acting as a public servant, therefore the indict-Hithey were hoarded by pirates who demanded ment could not be proved if it went to trial, as no \$300 from the owners of the former and Tls. 800; offence has been committed thate's cognisible from those of the latter. Failing to obtain this amount of blackmail, the pirates took a man from each raft and sailed off to See Nam.

The matter was reported to the maval guard at See Kwong, and braves were sent in pursuit. who, having come up with the pirales opened capturing another. The fest escaped. On the pirate boat was found a pillow containing pawn-tickets and some of the pirate chief's cards. These, together will the prisoners were handed over to the Namboi Magistrate on 17th instant. The prisoner stated that the man killed was the chief

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE. SUPREME COURT

ORIMINAL SESSIONS. (Before Sir John Carrington, Kt., C.M.G., Chief Justice.

April 21st.

The case against Tsai Tseung, charged with unlawfully offering a bribe to a public servant again came before the Court, His Lordship The minutes of the previous monthly meets giving the following decision upon the point of law raised yesterday by Mr. Slado :-In this case Mr. Slade for the defence had objected to the indictment, on the ground that

it was too general and did not show for what

speciakact the defendant had attempted to in-

fluence the conduct of the prosecutor. A fresh

indictment had been made out to which Mr.

Slade also objected on the grounds that it did not

show that the prosecutor was acting within the

scope of his powers and that the alleged offence was cognisable by the law. The indictment says that the prosecutor Wilmer, a public servant, being an inspector of Nuisances, on the secondanstant requested Defendant to remove some building inaterials from the side. Channel. The Detendant afterwards offered \$5 with a view to influence the conduct of the public servant in relation to this obstruction. Under this indictment it was necessary for the crown to prove that the Prosecutor held the office of Inspector of Nuisances, and don and the manager in China of the E. E. A. that he had the power to order the removal &c' Telegraph Co, transmitting copy of the of the obstruction. If they did not succeed in letter addressed by the Eastern Telegraph this the case would fail. He had very carefully Company Limited to the General Post studied the law in relation to the objection raised Office, setting, out the basis, on which the by Mr. Slade, and had come to the conclusion Associated Companies are prepared to negoti- that the action taken by the Prosecutor did not ate with the British Government for a general, come within his powers as a public servant. reduction of tariffs to all British Colonies and The first Ordinance he had turned to was the Public Health Ordinance of 1887 which contains. many provisions regarding the Sanitary Board and Inspectors of Nuisances, their servants. By Section 12 the Sanitary Board were authorize The Chairman said he thought there was- ed to make Standing Olders and appoint Innothing further to be done in the matter for spectors of Nuisances. Section 13 gave powers

to the Sanitary Board to make many bye-laws as regarded the public health but there was no specific mention of obstruction in the Elrects. In Section 16 there was a definition of nuisances as used in the Ordinance. A nuisance being defined as an act or ommission or thing that was dangerous to life or injurious to health or property. The Attorney General drew attention to

Sub-section 6 of Section 12 which deals with surface scavenging, and said it was a part of an Inspector of Nuisances duty to see that the side-channels were kept clean. Mr. Slade said he had also noticed this

Section, but that it did not refer to the removal of obstructions. His Lordship continuing said that Sections

12-16 Para. 5 dealt with stagnant water or other matters of filth which might be alleged to be injurious to health. This would make the indictment right in point of form, but would require proof in point of fact. The same thing applied as regarded Section 16, dealing with nulsances that were dangerous to life or injurious to health. But there had been no endeavour in the indictment to show that the alleged offence was injurious to health. Under Section 12 the Sanitary Board had authority to make Standing Orders for the guldance of their inspectors of nuisances. These Standing Orders give power to the inspectors to request the removal of obstructions to sanitary conditions and non-compliance was to be reported to the Medical Officer of Health.

The Attorney General raised a point on the obligations of the Sanitary Contractor, but his Lordship put it on one side, as they were not dealing with that official.

His Lordship then pointed out that the proper course for the Inspector would have been to report to the Medical Officer of Health, and decided that this Section evidently dealt with cleanliness, and so the alleged offence would not be with regard to this paragraph.

The next Ordinance he had examined was the Building Ordinance of 1889. This Ordinance referred to building operations in the Colony which were under the charge of the Director of Public Works or Surveyor General as he actually is and was formerly called Section 57 provides, that, no public pathway shall be obstructed without the written sanction of the Director of Public Works.

The Hon, the Attorney General asked his Lordship to notice that the latter part of this Section especially refers to side channels and heir obstruction. His Lordship said that on the face of it, it

did seem that that there was a case to be made out by this provision of the law. * Section 77; defined what were nuisances

as meant by this Ordinance, and lays down the procedure to be taken should any of the regulations be neglected or contravened.

Section 78 says that the Surveyor General shall serve a notice asking for the nuisance to be removed before further proceedings are taken. In all cases it has to be the D. P. W. who takes proceedings. The indictment might come under the Building Ordinance of 1889, but then the question arises has an-inspector of Nuisances as a servant of the Sanitary Board any jurisdiction or power to, act under this Ordinance. He was unable to find any. thing in the Ordinance that conferred this power on Inspectors of Nuisances, and i would require special legislation to enable them to act under its provisions. His Lordship gave it as his opinion that the Building Ordinance was completely outside the scope of the Sanitary Board, and that the power would have to be specifically conferred, before an indictment could be brought under the Building Ordinance, or an Inspector of

Nuisances act in pursuance of these powers. There was one other ordinance, No. 14 of 1845 which refers principally to cleanliness, police nuisances and public convenience, Section 2 Para. 3 lays down the penalty. for allowing scaffolding to obstruct the public road or thoroughfare, which would be a nuisance against public convenience, and a constable would have the power, without warrant, to order its removal, if it came within his own view. Or a private person could report the matter to the police authorities and have it removed. It might be contended that an Inspector of Nuisances came under this Ordinance but in his opinion it was not so, because this Ordinance contained many provisions under which a Sanitary Inspector of Nuisances could not possibly have power to deal. Besides it would be necessary that these powers should be specifically conferred and there was nothing in the Ordinance to show that such was the case. In conclusion, in this case there is no law to On the 14th instant, while two rafts; one of support the allegation that the Inspector when by law. The indictment will therefore be squa-

shed and prisoner discharged. The Hon, the Attorney General said he quite concurred in the ruling of his Lordship, as he himself had had some difficulty in framing the indictment, and at one time almost determined up a brisk fire, killing one man and afterwards. not to proceed with the case, but had decided to bring it before the court, as the Sanitary Board might object that their servants were not recei-

ving the support which was their due. His Lordship then dismissed the Common jurous and adjourned the Court till 10 a.m. on Monday, when a Special jury will be empannelled

to try the murder case.

AMOY TO TAIPEH.

(Contributed.) AMOY, April 18th, 1900.

I concluded my last letter by stating I would speak on the adoption of the British flag by Chinese merchants, for, in my opinion, an illegal purpose, or speaking more correctly for reasons to circumvent the Chinese likin taxes. I saw while in Swatow a small steamer that traded between the different little coast ports. This steamer is owned, manned and operated solely by Chinese but at the same time flies the British Flag. To the best of my knowledge, and I took pains to try and find out, there is not a single Britisher interested in her. The question naturally arises why then does_she fly our flag? Simply to protect herself against Chinese official squeezes. Not for a moment do I-say that is not in accordance with international custom but it seemed to me that rightfully considered it is assisting Chinese subjects to resist the demands made by their government and must eventually lead to "misunderstandings and suspicion on the part of the Chinese of our friendship. THE SWATOW VOLUNTEERS.

Just previous to my arrival in Swatow, the officials and Chinese community had been thrown into a wild state of alarm by the report that soo robbers had come into or where in the vicinity of the town. I was informed that the Chinese merchants had raised a corps out of the coolies of the place and were supporting i at their own expense. In England we beleive in paying by results, but have not yet applied that system to our army. They have with this corps; a man is paid by the number of robbers he kills, \$10 for each private and \$100 for a robber chief, special arrangements are made i the civilian soldier getseither killed or wounded. Not much money had, however, been disbursed by the time I left Swatow.

BRITISH TRADE IN AMOV.

time for me to attempt to do so, but I cannot passion to the more interesting subjects of Tamsui and the Japanese occupation of Formosa, without remarking on the difference of business enterprise exhibited by the Germans and Japanese to that shown by the British firms.. The former are all bustle and progress, while the latter, with one exception, are eaten up by conservatism, change being looked upon this port will soon be withdrawn, viz tea. On this subject, however, I will speak more fully the interior. Tamsui can only be entered once when writing on Japanese rule in Formosa. THE L M. CUSTOMS.

One more point in connection with Amoy is well worth notice and deserves consideration. That is the Imperial Maritime Customs: These are hypothecated to Great Britain for money advanced and by treaty it is distinctly laid down that 75 per cent. of the European staff shall be Britishers. I was therefore greatly surprised to find that this percentage had fallen to somewhere between 50 or 60, not over the latter figure for certain. It may be a small matter, but I am certainly of opinion that it may possibly lead to our disadvantage in the near future. While speaking about the I. M. C. I may as well mention about Chapel Island Lighthouse. Mariners are well acquainted with the regulation signals given by this lighthouse in time of fog, but for the sake of our shore readers I will say that when the lighthouse keeper hears the steamer's whistle he fires guns in prescribed rotation until answered by the steamer with three blasts. Our steamer the Tamsui Maru, was unfortunate enough to be caught in one of these fogs and kept her whistle going constantly, but as she received no answer she anchored, and remained in this position until the fog lifted, when the lighthouse was plainly discernible about a mile and a half away. We were delayed to such an extent that it made our stay at Amoy 24 hours longer had spent three years on this Island and when I told him our experience he offered as an exbe found.

TAMSUL AND TAIPEH.

teresting object lessons we might say almost \$4 but none are obtainable except at an adat our gates, the first attempts of two vance. The Report shows a debit balance at young countries at colonization; Japan' in Formosa and America in Manila, It would be insiduous to draw comparisons, so I will only give an idea of the progress that has been made by the Japanese. When taking a bird's. Godowns.-Hongkong and Whampoa Docks eye view preparatory to criticism on this subject. it must always be remembered that Japan, as a | at 493 and 495 per cent. premium, closing with factor in the world's calculations is extremely | no sellers under 500 per cent. premium. Kowyoung; scarcely fifty years having elapsed | loon Wharf shares have been booked at \$8 since her first reception of western ideas. New Amoy Docks are in the market at \$20%. Again it must be borne in mind that Formosa | Hongkong Hotels are quiet at \$120. Humis not a colony but more correctly a congliered | phreys Estate have improved to \$10\frac{1}{2} sales. island. This makes a great difference. The | China Providents have been bought at \$9.89 Chinese themselves had formerly conquered and \$10. Cotton Mills.—Hongkong Cottons the land but had never been able to make | have changed hands at \$38 and \$381. Miscel themselves absolute masters of it, in this the laneous-Green Island Cements have been in Japanese have had far greater success as the strong request and have been done at advancwhole of Formosa may now be said to be in a ling rates up to\$314. China Borneos are in settled state. There are still some savages, demand at \$18. Electrics can be placed at who have not tendered their allegiance to the | \$11. United Asbestos have been sold at \$6.75 Government, but they are comparatively few and fiving in the interior of the island. ' Actual rebels there are none, but an occasional robbery with violence still takes place. The Japanese must therefore be complimented on having attained so much good in a little over five years. There is a peculiar superstition among the aborigines (not savages) that has operated against the conquerors. It is not generally known that some 250 years ago the Dutch occupied Formosa and made their presence very beneficially felt among its inhabitants: They built forts and introduced trade, the old red brick building now occupied by the British Consulate in Tamsul is one of these old forts. Around Anning their remembrance is still of the 9th he breathed his last, Mr. Morrison venerated by the natives. They were was only 25 years of age and had not been eventually expelled by the Chinese admiral or quite twelve months in Bangkok. Much regret pirate Koxinga, but they lest the impression is expressed at his untimely demise. The that they would some day come back again to be the saviours of the Formosans! from their Chinese conquentors. This idea is still strong and though these natives have since adopted Chinese dress and manners, until very, recently it was feared that should a hostile manof-war come into a Formosar, port, the natives would mistake her for the Dutch come back and would rise to a man against their present Transactions of the Institution of tion cards, letters and money. Sever rulers. I need hardly say that the Chinese do Engineers and Shipbuilders in Scotland is an handed in little things they found." not love their former victors, and it is a well unpretentious publication, but always contains known fact that the relations between Japan at least one interesting paper. To the last Mr.

and they are spending immense sums of money. | cumscribed, Given a vessel of a certain form | service.

"Money is the root of all evil" and when a land definite position of the meta-centre, what country has to pay ten per cent for capital it is can be done to check excessive rolling? not hard to imagine that there will be some grumbling at the taxation by which the money | method is the addition of bilge-keels. Wooden has to be repaid.

western requisites of civilization, with a government that is no government, taxes levied in the shape of squeezes, and the people allowed to do very much as they pleased as long as they were not found out. The Japanese have altered all There is a government and it makes itself felt; taxes are levied on all alike; there is a strong police department everybody's circumstances being well known. are built, embankments erected, railways constructed and kept in working order. This costs money and as it is not done by private enterprise the government is obliged to maintain a large staff of officials. There is no doubt about the necessity for these improvements, but it is greatly to be feared that Japan has been rather too premature. The money raised in the island is certainly spent there, but I these were probably intended, at that time, to that does not have very much effect in making John Chinaman any more contented with the paying of taxes; by nature he strongly objects to pay, is endowed with a vast amount of passive endurance, and is able to live where others would starve, the consequence is that many of the tea farins are going out of cultiva-I am not acquainted with the taxes levied in Ceylon and India, but in Formosa they are \$2.70 per picul transportation Lax, or lekin, if to Kelling, to Kobe \$1.00 habour dues, but if to Tainsui to Amoy \$1.60 export duty. The two last taxes are not finally settled, the foreign powers maintaining that they mean increased to 25" the oscillations were, respecpreferential rates. Any way the tax amounts | tively, 29, 67, 31, or always less than when this to \$3 a picul or \$1 a chest. Other countries, impose import dues. The manufacture of tea isexpensive and the freight heavy, so it can easily be seen that the actual farmer gets very Amoy has so often been described and by far little for his share in the production. He abler pens than mine, that it would be waste of | certainly gets greater facilities for transportation but he would far rather put the money into his own pocket.

Japan has made a mistake; with true orientalspirit she has started at the wrong end. Instead of opening up her harbours, removing the bars etc., so that ships could enter at all times and find safe anchorage, she has started in the interior building fine Japanese cities and maintaining too many official's and guardians of the most distastefully. This is all the more to be law; this, besides other great drawbacks, has regretted as the staple article of commerce in | left the coast practically open to invasion, so I she cannot be secure in furthering her good in a day at high tide, communication between Taipeh and its port, Tamsui, though only separated by twelve miles of river can only be obtained twice daily for the same reason. Immense sums of money have been spent in Taipeh, and still nothing done as regards dredging. In Anning matters are far worse, ocean steamers cannot enter the port at al having to anchor about four miles off in the roadstead, and in stormy weather not even that while communication with the port is totally

> M. H. W. (to be continued.)

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

HONGKONG, April 20th.

Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts, in their weekly share report state:--

The Easter Holidays have interfered with business to a considerable extent, and transactions effected have been on a very small scale. Banks.—Hongkong Banks rule very quiet and are obtainable at 313 per cent. premium. The London quotation is £58 15/-. Nationals are steady at \$281. Marine Insurances.-Unions have strengthened their position and are wanted at \$240. Yangiszes are quoted at \$128 ex the than was intended. I afterwards happened to dividend of \$12 paid to day. China Traders run across an old Custombouse officer who have been done and are wanted at \$54%. Fire Insurances.—There is no business to report in stocks under this heading. Shipping. planation that the rock was too high, saying, Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats from his own experience, he had known ships | have advanced to \$30? and after sales at \$30} lying quite close which he had been quite un- have been done and are wanted at \$30%. Indo down from Spion Kop on stretchers. The able to hear if there had been a 3 or 41 ile | Chinas have changed hands at \$92 and are | Boers opened fire on us, and three bullets went breeze blowing on the water. He said he could | wanted. Star Ferries' have been sold to a | into the fire, knocking the sticks about. The hear ship's whistles far better when they were | small extent at \$18}. Douglas shares have | reason for this fire was not the Red Cross flag, 6 or 7 miles away. As fog is very prevalent | been done at \$50. Refineries. — We have along this coast, which is also most dangerous, | heard of no business in either China Sugars some remedy for such a state of things should for Luzons. Mining -Punjoms have declined A few minutes after the Boers let fly five shells to \$7.10 owing to shares offering from in quick succession in my direction, but they Japan. Queen Mines have been fixed at | fell short and did no harm. At the present time we have two most in- 19 cents. Olivers .B. are enquired for at

Working Account of \$4,133.92 as against a debit balance of \$40,671.41 at the end of 1898. Great Eastern and Caledonians have been sold Lat 70 and 60 cents. Docks, Wharves and are firmer and have been taken off the market

DEATH OF MR. C. R. MORRISON AT BANGKOK.

Mr. Chas: Robertson Morrison, the Assayer and Chief Assistant in the Royal Department of Mines and Geology at Bangkok, died on the 9th inst. For some time past he had not been in his usual health, and early in the present month was removed to the Nursing Home, suffering from malarial fever with typhoid symptoms. Nothing that could be done for him proved of any avail, and late on the night | hypodermic of morphine. funeral, which was attended by a number of rifle beautfully carved with his name and a text Siamese as well as foreigners, took place next day at the Protestant Cemetery.

THE ROLLING OF SHIPS.

and Russia are strained. Taking all these con- W. L. Luke contributes an article on the means; siderations into account it is not fair nor honest adopted for moderating, the rolling of ships, to expect too marked an improvement by Japan We pretend to understand the theory of a ship's ese rule, but still there is a great improvement stability; although constant instances of some and one that shows unmistakeable signs of future | great blunder in a costly yacht or line-of-battleship remind us now and then that theories, from an unimpeachable source in Paris says To a Britisher perhaps much of the system; however true, require at least more careful ap that the minister for the colonies sent cipher of taxation, officialism and red-tapeism calls for officiation than our ships designers often give cables yesterday to the governor of every C. N. Co's steamer Kweiyang leaves for Tien-tuplayourable comment, but it must be borne in them; and much depends upon a vessel's form French colony asking, almost in the words of them. mind that Japan is ambitious, her government; when oscillations or stability conditions are in Chamberlain to the British colonial governors, p.m.-A. L. S. N. Co's steamer Maria Valerie is fostering trade extensively all over the marid | question. But here our problem is more cir- | how many soldiers were available for immediate

The most obvious and commonly adopted sailing ships of war, as well as merchant vessels,

To throughly understand the progress made, in the first half of this century, were always in Formosa a knowledge of China and Chinese constructed without bilge-keels. Doubtless rule is necessary, a country without any of the I the deep and heavy ordinary keels which sailing vessels necessarily demand sufficiently checked rolling. Besides, we now load decks with heavier guns and think more of our sailors' 'comfort. The ill-fated 'Atalanta, hersel replacing the Eurydica, which was capsized in a squall in 1878 off Ventner, was found roll so heavily that she was fitted with two pairs of bilge-keels—one below, and one above the water-line. They checked the rolling, but still she rolled sufficiently to lift the lower out of water, and thus repeated violent shocks strained all the fastenings and caused intense discomfort. The bilge-keels were removed, she left Bermuda for the British Isles in February 1880, and was not seen again. The French claim to have used bilge-keels at the commencement of the present century; but

> act as lee-boards. From the earlist days of iron clad ships bilgekeels have been fitted in the Navy. After the capsizing of the *Captain* in 1870, Mr. Froude made a full series of experiments upon a model of the Devastation. The experiments in dock seemed most conclusive. With no bilge-piece, after a deflection of 81°, 32 double rolls were taken before she came to rest. With one 3foot bilge-piece only 8; with two 3-foot bilges 6; with one six-foot bilge only 4. But we must very carefully examine experiments on models made in dock. When the deflection was first displacement was much smaller! This paradoxical result was doubtless brought about by two disturbing elements: The greater cant. flooded the dock to some extent, and, ere the water found its exit through the scuppers, the tilt was checked enormously; again waves formed by tilting in the dock, reflected from the

> wall, may check or help the rolling. The model was also tested in a sea; and though results were very different, they clearly showed the bilge-keels greatly checked the rolling. Far more decisive were experiments made with the *Greybound* and her sister ship the Perieus. The former had a pair of bilgekeels; the latter none. After they had been brought to the same draught and meta-centie height they were taken out into Plymouth Sound on various occasions in rough weather. The Greybound rolled to about half the angles reached by the Perseus, the latter sometimes rolling as much as 23 degrees.

The accidental discovery on another occasion that water let in through imitation shot holes greatly checked the rolling-and the effect, noted above, of water on the model's deck in dock-suggested compartments into which water might enter and, by its weight, check oscillations. This has been actually the passage. tried and proved most efficacious in preventing rolling; but it adds a serious danger. When big waves well timed to the ship capsize her, she usually goes over in the weather roll, borne down too late to rise against the coming wave -and such admitted water helps this danger.

Bilge-keels so far have proved the best, but they must not be placed too near the surface. If liable to be exposed, violent shocks, of course, will follow, and even if they come but near the surface they greatly add to the effective hold the vertical component in a wave has to tilt up the ship; and therefore, though they often check, in such position they might sometimes increase, the rolling.

HORRORS OF THE BATTLEFIELD,

LONDON, March 12th. For real ghastliness, for a glimpse into the glory of realities of war and the horrors of the battlefield, a private letter from a young medical officer at Spion Kop, printed in the Daily Graphic, can scarcely be beaten.

"I selected a pass," he writes, "overhung by steep clay, banks on the top of which I got up a Red Cross flag. Cases now began to pour but owing to some Tommies who were strollover to it, but I promptly ordered them away.

"From this time to 1 o'clock next morning wounded came through my dressing station, as the pass was the only exit from the hill. saw every case, and some of them were

MUTILATED BEYOND DESCRIPTION. Fully 330 wounded and dead passed through my hands. Many poor chaps shot in the morning in the front trenches, who could not be reached, lay in the blazing sun all day. One old colonel in Thornycroft's walked down leaning on a rifle. He was a mass of wounds one ear shot through by a bullet, his chin, neck and chest through by others and his back and legs torn by shells. He came in and said he just dropped in to let me take his finger off as it was so shattered that he could not pull the trigger of the rifle, as it got in the way of the next finger, which he could use, for he wanted to get back up the hill to pay the Dutchmen

back. Of course I would not let him go back. "Bullet wounds are beautifully clean, just a round hole, and, as a rule, do not do much damage as they often go through the bone without shattering it, and do not bleed much: Shell wounds are hideous.

"It was now frightfully dark, and I put one of the lanterns on a stick as a directing light to my pass. One of a group of soldiers returning to the hill tried to run away with it. Shortly after this both lanterns went out, and I had

A PRETTY BAD TIME, as the pass often got blocked with wounded. Finally I could send no more wounded across the drift, and had to stack them with the dead in rows on the grass. I collected the wounded officers on stretchers and gave them brandy and

generals, came up at daybreak. The former, who is chief general, was a small thin man with yellow beard and hair, and had a magnificent from the Bible. He had a couple of mounted Kaffirs carrying ammuntion and a water bottle. and an interpreter. He seemed, however, to understand English, though he refused to speak it. There were quite a number of German officers. I heard one of them had been killed. They let our men search the dead for identifica-The Transactions of the Institution of tion cards, letters and money. Several Boers

FRANCE ASKS FOR TROOPS.

NEW YORK, March, 15th.

from London which says: "A private telegram | 9 p.m.-Warren's Circus at West Point;

BISHOP POTTER ON CHINA AND JAPAN.

NEW YORK, March 19th. Bishop Potter talked to newspaper representatives to-day about his visit to the Philippines, Japan and India. The trip was made at the instance of the committee on increased responsibilities of the Protestant Episcopal church. He had been most interested, he said In the condition of affairs in China and Japan, He had noticed a gradual friendliness between the two nations, and prophesied that when Japan should have taught the Chinese the art of war, neither England, Russia or Germany would decide the fate of the East. The Chinese did not love the Japanese, but, recognizing that they had nothing to hope from the European nations, were gladly establishing an entente

cordiale with the Japanese. Referring to the Philippine situation, Bishop Potter said he had gone into the islands in an attitude of antagonism. He declined to say whether or not his opinions had altered, but said he recognized the question as purely an academic one.

Asked about the future of the Anglican church in the islands, Bishop Potter said he 52W no reason why it should not be successfully introduced to the natives. He had found no evidence of any paganism. The Roman Catholic religion was pretty generally observed. | 5 p.m. - C. & M. S. N. Co's steamer Mennuis and as education spreads, the tenets of the Anglican church would receive general accept-

A MARVELLOUS ESCAPE.

There was great excitement at Jhind the other day, says on Indian contemparary. Mr. Van Tassel, the balloonist, made an ascent there. About the time of making the start three sepoys belonging to the Jhind State, who were holding the balloon down; got mixed up with the ropes of the balloon and prachute, and were carried up into the air. One man'fell soon; but the other two were not able to get loose. When at a great height one subsequently fell, but fortunately again got caught in the ropes. Mr. Van Tassel, with great presence of mind did not cut himself off with the parachute, as he would have done under ordinary circumstances, but holding on, shouted to both men to hold tight. The balloon ascended a great height, when the gas cooled and it began to descend. The parachute opened and the empty balloon also formed a parachute, and the three men descend safely to terra firma amidst the wildest excitement of the large crowd assembled to witness the

SHIPPING REPORTS.

Capt. James Potter, of the steamship Benvenue, from Saigon, reports :-- Experienced light variable winds and fine clear weather throughout

Capt.: J. Douglas, of the steamship Formesa, from Swatow, reports: -- Light easterly winds, smooth sea and hazy weather. Vessels in port: -Singan, Szechuen, Cheang Hock Kian, Chowlai, Tientsin, and Krweilin.

Captain A. S. Calder, of the steamship Phranang, from Bangkok, via Swatow, feports:-Light variable winds and smooth sea throughout, until making and leaving Swatow when calms and foggy weather prevailed.

NOTANDA. CALENDAR.

Meleorological means based on ten years'

observations to 1893. Barometer30.059 Humidity85.0 4.08

TO-DAY. WEATHER REPORT. On date at On date at Temperature 78 Humidity 84

TO-DAY. Saturday, 21st April, 1900. Chinese-22nd of 3rd moon of 26th year of Kwang-sii. Sun-Rises 5hr. 36min. Set 6hr. 20min. High water-Morning' 1hr. 23min. Afternoon 2hr. 53min. Low water-Morning 8hr. 2min.

Rainfall.....

Afternoon 7hr. 57min. ANNIVERSARIES. 843-The Duke of Sussex, the Queen's uncle,

1860—Chusan occupied by the British fleet. 1864—About 100 prisoners escaped from the prison hulk off Stonecutters' Island. 1869—H.M.S. Salamis returned to Hankow from the Yangtze. 1877-Torpedo explosion at Tientsin; six men

blown to pieces; narrow escape of Li-Hung-chang. 1897-Tyrnavos bombarded by the Turks. 1898—War declared between America and Spain. U. S. fleet leaves Keywest-for

Sunday, 22nd April, 1900. Chinese-23rd of 3rd moon of 26th year of Kwang-sü. Sun—Rises 54r. 35min. Sets 6hr. 21min. Noon-First Quarter our. 20min. p.m. High water-Morning ahr. 12min. Afternoon 34r. 58min.

Low water-Morning ghr. omin. Asternoon 8hr. 56min. ANNIVERSARIES. 1834—The East India Co. ceased to trade with 1877—Arrival of Governor J. Pope Hennessy | FORMOSA, British steamer, 674, J. T. Douglas, in Hongkong.

"Commandants Botha and Burgess, the Boer | 1880-Jinrickshas started in Hongkong. 1890 -The Foreign Ministers at Peking invited to a funeral ceremony at the house of the late Marquis Tseng.

> Leucome Isles. 1896—The leaders of the Reform Committee pleaded guilty of high treason at Pre- PHRA NANG, British steamer, 1,029, A. S.

1897-Sir Claude Macdonald left Hongkong. 1898-Havanna blockaded. Governor of Philippines issued his proclamation of war.

p.m.--Grand Entertainment under Distinguished Patronage, in aid of the Indian Famine Fund at City Hall. The Journal and Advertiser has a special | Cargo ex Idomeneus subject to rent.

TO-MORROW.

leaves for Fiume and Trieste via the Valhyrien, British bark, for Rajang,

Bt. John's Oathedral:—Communion, '7 a.m. Matins, 11 a.m., Evensong, 5.45 p.m. Roman Catholic Cathedral :- Mass at 6 a.hr.

7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9.30 a.m. Benediction, Union Church :- Services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

CHURCH SERVICES."

German Bethesda Chavel, West Point :-Morning Service, 11 a.m. 8t. Francis' Church, Wanchai :-- Mass (Chin.)

6 a.m., (Pert.), 7.30 a.m. Benediction, St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road :- Morning Service (English), 9 a.m.

Anthony's Chapel, West Point:-Mass, Wesleyan Methodist Church:—Services, 10.30 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. St. Peter's Seamen's Church :-- 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 23rd. - . 9 p.m.-Ada Delroy Company at City Hall. German School term Commences.

TUESDAY, 24th. Noon—Extraordinary General Meeting of the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd. Noon-Cargo ex Silesia subject to rent.

leaves for Sandakan via Gaya. leaves for Manila. (About) N. L. steamer Sibiria leaves for Havre and Hamburg. (About) N. P. steamer Glenogle leaves for Victoria B. C. and Tacoma.

3 p.m.—I. C. S. N. Co.'s steamer Mausang

WEDNESDAY, 25th. Noon-C. N. Co.'s steamer Tsinan leaves for Manila and Australian Port. 2.30 p.m.—Auction sale of household furnitures

Cargo ex *Preussen* subject to rent.

at Mr. Paul Brewitt's sales rooms. Zetland Street, No. 2. C. P. R. steamer Empress of India leaves for Victoria B. C. &c.

FRIDAY, 27th. Noon-N. Y. K. steamer Hayoshima Maru leaves for Bombay via Singapore and Colombo.

4 p.m.--N. Y. K. steamer Lawata Maru leaves for Sydney and Melbourne, via Manila At daylight the Co.'s steamer Bingo Maru

leaves for Europe via Straits. C. & M. S. Co.'s steamer Esmeralda leaves Hoile and Celiu. C. N. Co.'s steamer Sungking leaves for

SATURDAY, 28th. Noon-Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the Green Island Cement Co., Ld. Noon-P. & O. steamer Bengal leaves for

Race Course. SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

First Gymkhana Meeting of the Season at

MAILS DUE. French (Oceanien) 22nd inst. American (Hongkong Maru) 27th inst. Indian (Suisang) 27th inst. Australian (Airlie) 28th inst.

Canadian (Empress of China) 28th inst. German (Hamburg) 1st prox. American (China) 5th prox. Canadian (Empress of Japan) toth prox. American (Doric) 15th prox.

The steamer Suisang, from Calcutta and Straits left Singapore for this port on Friday, the 20th inst. at 5 p.m.

The C. P. R. Co., R.M.S. steamer Empress of Japan, left Vancouver for Hongkong via usual port of call on Thurday the 19th inst.

The N. Y. K.'s steamer Vawata Maru,

(Australian Line) left Nagasaki for this port to-day and is expected to arrive here on the 24th inst.

. The Imperial German Mailsteamer Hamburg, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 2nd inst., left Colombo on 20th inst, p.m., and may be expected here on orabout Tuesday, the 1st prox.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOW DOCK RETURNS. Isla de Cuba..... at Kowloon H.M.S. Fame H.M.S. Humber Progress Wess D. Juan d'Austria ... "Cosmopolitan Independent Mausang Mobile Bay

PASSED THE CANAL Outward-13th April-Inaba Maru, Agamemnon. 17th April-Salazie, Ballaarat. Homeward-17th April-Stuttgart. Arrivals at Home-i8th April-Westpahlia.

Arrivals.

PEIVANG, German steamer, 952, R. Köhler, 20th April,-Hongay 18th April, Coal.-Siemssen & Co. MARIA VALERIE, Austrian steamer, 2,648, A.

Fellner, 21st April, - Kobe 7th April, General.-Sander, Wieler & Co. GLENOGLE, British steamer, 2,399, Frakes, 21st April,-Tacoma, U.S.A. 20th Mar., General.—Dodwell & Co., Ld.

21st April, -- Swatow 20th April, General, --Douglas, Lapraik & Co. HERMES, Norwegian steamer, 849, J. C. Jensen, 21st April,—Canton 20th April, Goal.—

Jardine, Matheson & Co. 1891-Wreck of the s.s. Holme Eden on the Benvenue, British steamer, 1,467, J. Porter, 21st April,-Saigon 17th April, Rice.-Gibb, Livingston & Co.

> Calder, 21st April,-Bangkok' 11th April, and Swatow 20th, Rice and Timber.-Melchers & Co. JASON, British steamer, 1,336, W. Lycett, 21st April,-Singapore 14th April, General,-Butterfield & Swire.

SUNGKIANC, British steamer, 1,021, S. W. Moore, 21st April,-Manila 18th April, Hemp and Sugar. Butterfield & Swire. NORMA, British 4-masted bark, 1,999, D. Mc-Donnell, 21st April,-Cardiff via Anjer 4th October, Coal.-Order. St. Regulus New York May 3rd

Clearances at the Harbour Office. Kwelyang, British str., for Swatow. Kasuga Maru, Japaneso str., for Nagasaki. Choysang, British str., for Shanghai. Haimun, British str., for Swatew. Tourt Maru, Japaneso str., for Kobe.

Irene, Chinese str., for Shanghai. Apenrade, German str., for Haiphong. Kwai Lum, British steam-launch, for Macao. Eskdale, British str., for Kobe. Tamsui Maru, Japanese str., for Swutow. Tritos, German str., for Salgon. Haitan, British str., for Swatow. Hating, French str., for Haiphong. Hermes, Norwegian str., for Hongay. Hailan, French str., for Holhow. City of Peking, British str., for Shanghai.

Catherine Apcar, British str., for Singapore.

Dopartures.

April 21, Haimun, British str., for Swatow. April 21, Dirigo, American ship, for Honolulu. April 21, Bankoku Maru, Jap. str., for Hongay. April 21, City of Peking, British str., for San

April 21, Choysang, British str., for Shanghai, April 21, Ilailan, French str., for Holhow. April 21, Irene, Chinese str., for Shanghai. April 21, Eskdale, British str., for Robe.

April 21, Catherine Apear, British str., for

Calcutta.

Passengers-Arrived. Per Formosa, from Swatow-52 Chinese. Per Glenogle, from Tacoma, &c .-- 50 Chinese.

Per Maria Valerie, from Kobe-Mr. Munoz Per Benvenue, from Saigon-5 Chinese. Per Jason, from Singapore-Messrs. G, and

J. Taylor, and 300 Chinese. Per Sungkiang, from Manila-Messrs, M. Schneer, F. Jackson, A. Hockwoles, Mons. De La Tour, Romero Salas, M Alonzo, Censul Hano, Messrs. E. Elera, G. Grielsama and 3 children, and F. Metters. Transferred by s.s. Tsinan from Australia-Messrs. H. Bowles, A. Gillot, E. McKenzie, H. Ellis, E. Stringer, W. Fawkes, W. S. Neill, E. Hargreave, R. Anning, Mr. and Mrs. Broadhurst, Misses An-

Departed.

ning, Forlong, and 100 Chinese.

Per City of Peking, for Shanghai-Messrs. H. G. C. Hallock, Lum Kai Sang and servant Mrs. F. V. Massou, Mrs. Mok She, Mr. A. P. -Stockes, Mrs.-Chan-See,-Mrs.-Lee See,-Mr.-Lo-Fat Hing, Master Ying Yee Lau, 2 Misses Lum Lui, Messrs. S. Kassabe, F. McPherson, J. Bugen, Masters Loo Kit, Loo and Loo But Moy, 3 Indians, 2 Chinese girls, and 1 Chinese. For Nagasaki-Lieut.-Comdr. Bull, U.S.N., and Ensign H. Laning, U.S.N. For Kobe-Mr. and Mrs. E. Walker. For Yokohama-Dr. and Mrs. Kruger, infant and 2 amabs, and Master Kruger. For San Francisco-Dr. and Mrs. E. Lodge, Messrs. Li Au She, Lee Gap, Mrs. Lung So and infant, Misses Li Quai, Lee Tocoy Kan, Gew Gan, Master Lee San, Mrs. John Carroll, Master Irene Carroll, Master John. Carroll, Mr. Jolin Carroll, Miss F. B. Puss McClure, Mr. George Ade, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lausen. For Minneapolis-Mrs. Caldren. Miss Edna Caldren, and Master Arthur Caldren For Pittsburg-Mrs. E. H. Braddock, and Mr. W. Braddock. For New York-Mr. C. and Master G. Klinck. For London-Capt. Davidson Hauston, Mr. and J. Van Aalst, Mr. E. W. Hayward, Dr. Randolph Magnes, Messrs. Broome L. Witts and H. Gill. For Havre-Mr. Pierre Blanc.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

Names.	From.	Duc.
Gaelic Oceanien Yawata Maru Awa Maru Bingo Maru Kagoshima Maru. Suisang Hongkong Maru Empress of China. Airlie Hamburg. China Empress of Japan. Doric	Saigon Japan Singapore Moji Singapore Japan Vancouver Port Darwin Colombo San Francisco Vancouver	To-morrow April 24th April 24th April 25th April 25th April 27th April 27th April 28th April 28th April 28th May 18t May 5th May 10th
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We would direct the attention of shipping firms to the style in which "Steamers Expected" and "Projects ! Sailings" are now published in these columns, and in so doing respect fully urge the managers of shipping firms to give orders to their clerks to furnish this office, on the forms already supplied gratic with the latest available information every day.

PROJECTED SAILINGS

1	Ship.	Destination.	Date.
	Alcinous	London	May #5th
	America Maru	San Francisco, &c.	June 26th
	-Awa Maru	Yokohama	April 25th
ı	Bayers	Havre, &c.	May 22nd
I	Relgion King	Straits, &c	fully 12th
I	Rangal	San Diego, &c	June 5th
ŀ	Ringo Maru	Bombay, &c Marseilles, &c	April anti-
į	Braemar	Portland, &c.	Inne oth
١	Breconshire	Victoria, B.C.	Anril 24th
I	Candia	Marseilles, &c	Aprilazna
I	Carlisle City	San Diego, &c	April 30th
١	China	San Francisco, &c	May 15th
ł	City of Peking	San Francisco, &c.	fuly 5th
ł	City of Rio	San Francisco, &c.	lune oth
1	Coptic	San Francisco, &c.	July 14th
	Coromandel	Shanghai	April 27th
1	Doric	San Francisco, &c.	May 23rd
Ì	Duke of Life	Victoria, B.C	May 12th
I	Emp. China	Vancouvet.&c	June 6th
I	Emp. India		April 25th
j	Emp. Japan	Iloilo, &c	May 16th
Ì	Esmeralda	Iloilo, &c	April 27th
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ł	Gaelic	San Francisco, &c	May 1st
Ì	Glenogie	Victoria, B.C	April 28th
Ì	Hamburg	Straits, &c	May 30th
ŀ	Hongkong Maru	San Francisco, &c.	May, 8th
Ì	Vegethime Mary	Liverpool	April 30th
Ì	Kagosmma Maru	Bombay	April 27th
ı	Kansu Albart	Shanghai	April 24th
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l	Malacca	London	May 191
ľ	Maria Valerie	Singapore, &c	anay 310
l	Mausang	Sandakan	April 24th
l	Menmuir	Manila	April 24th
١	Milke Maru	Japan	April 24th
l	Mikawa Maru	Shanghai	April 24th
	Monmouthshire.	Portland, &c	May 19th
ŀ	Nippon Maru	San Francisco, &c.	May 31st 5
	Oldenburg	Straits, &c	june 28th
١.	Patroclus	Londonl	May 20th
	Preussen	Straits, &c Straits, &c	May 16th
	Prinz Heinrich	Straits, &c	May 2nd
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	Rosetta	Japan Straits, &c. Havre, &c. Havre, &c. Havre, &c.	April 28th /
	Sachsen	Straits, &c	une 14th
	Sampia	navre, de	une 20th
	Darnia	navic, &c	june 6th
	Cimilia di contratto	rauvici ecc.	April 24th
	Stuttman	San Diego, &c Straits, &c.	May Ioth
	PARKET COMME	Guana, OCC.	iuiv. 20th-'

Tamsui Maru ... Swatow, &c...... April 22nd

Thyra...... Sam Diego, &c. July 8th.
Tsinan Port Darwin, &c. April 25th

Weimar Straits, &c. Aug. 23rd

Yawata Maru ... Sydney, &c...... Aprli 27th

MONDAY, 23rd APRIL. ADVENT OF THE WORLD-FAMED DELROY COMPANY. 12 STAR ARTISTES 12 with several

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Potice of Firm.

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TIOTZ, STACOB & CQ. Hongkong, 31st March, 1900.

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Intimations.

THE FIRST GYMKHANA MEETING

APRIL 28TH, 1900.

EVENTS. 1.--HALF-MILE RACE .-- For all China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale with 7 lbs added. Winners at any Official Meeting this season 5 lbs. extra. Subcription grif-

tins and buna tide, polo ponies allowed ? 2. TENT PLEGING. Points for place and styles three rans: Schilletten St. For all China ponies over areal course. Weight for inches te-

per scale, "Previous winners of Steeplechase 7 lbs added. ONE: MILE HANDICAP .- For all China

ADIES NOMINATION .- Each Competitor to start from a post 100 yards up the course and ride to the lady who nominates him, take one potatoe from her each time, return and drop it into his burket. Should he fail or the potatoe not remain, he must d'smount, put the potatoe into the bucket, and mount without assistance. To win, first past the winning post, third time in with all three potatoes in the bucket.

14 MILE RACE .-- For all China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale with 3 lbs added. Subscription Griffins allowed 7 lbs. Winners at this Meeting 5 lbs extra.

ONE MILE RACE. For Walers. Catch Weights over 11 st. 7 lbs. Hongkong, 17th April, 1900.

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TOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND INSTALMENT of \$5 per Share in respect of the 50,000 New Shares has been called up and Holders of such Shares who have not already paid this Instalment are requested to PAY the Amountsof such CALL to the Undersigned at the OFFICE of the Company. No. 9, Praya Central, on or before the 30th April, 1900.

Dated the 27th March, 1900. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

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CHARIES in this Company on which a O CALL of \$1 was made PAYABLE on the 3rd day of March, 1900, and which Call bas not yet been paid, are liable to be forfeited, in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company. Interest at the rate of to per cent, per share

will be charged on all Overdue Calls. W. H. GASKELL,

Hongkong, 17th April, 1900. THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting 1 N of the Board of Directors of the above THE UNDERSIGNED, having been | Company, held at the Registered Office of the I appointed AGENTS for the above Com- Company, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, PANY, are prepared to accept Risks against Hongkong, on Tuesday, the Twenty Seventh day of March, 1900, the following RESOLU-TION were passed.

1.-- That in pursuance of the Provisions of] a Stewardess. the Special Resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th and confirmed on the 27th March instant, and since duly registered, the Sum of \$1,250,000 be withdrawn from the Reserved Fund and be carried as of the Account, each Share being credited with a Sum of \$25 as paid up thereon in addition to the Sum of \$50 now standing

to the credit of each Share. That the Balance of \$25 per Share of the Unpaid Capital of the Company be called up, and that a CALL be and is hereby made of \$25 per Share upon al Shares of the Company, and that the Shareholders be requested to pay the same to the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Premises, Queen's Road Central, on or before the 2nd day

of July, A.D. 1900. Shareholders are hereby requested to pay

And Notice is also given that, in accordance with Article 34 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest will be charged as from the said and day of July, 1900, at the Rate of \$12 per cent. per Annum, upon all Calls remaining Unpaid after the oth day of July 1900, up to the actual dates of payment of the

By Order of the Board, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1900. HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

OTICE is hereby given that SCRIP this Company, numbered 7165 to 7174, and obtained on application. dated the 2 xh May, 1593, in the name of Passengers holding through ORDERS TO Passengers holding through ORDERS TO the Company as Nuthand Void, and all persons | tiating the same. By Order,

C. MOONEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1000 THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

TOTICE is hereby given that SCRIP IN NUMBER 240 for 15. SHARES of the Company, numbered 28904/28918, in the name of PAUL JORDAN, Esquire, of Hongkong, having been LOST, a New Scrip for the same will be issued after One month from the Date hereof, and the Original Scrip will be considered by the Company as Null and Void, and all persons are hereby warned against accepting or negotiating same.

SHEWAN, TOMES CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 29th March, 1900.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NIOTICE is hereby given that SCRIP NUMBER 812 for 8 SHARES of the Company, numbered 13414/13421, in the name of WILLIAM MONARCH BURNSIDE required. ARTHUR, Esquire, of Hongkong, having been LOST, a New Scrip for the same will be issued after One Month from the date hereof and the Original Scrip will be considered by the Company as null and void, and all persons are hereby warned against accepting or nego-

Mails.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG-SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.		SAILING DATES
MIKE MARU	MOH. KOBE and YOKOHAMA	Tuesday, 24th April, a
S. Kawamuro	1. NACACACI	A.P.M.
Awa Maru	YOKOHAMA (DIRECT)	WEDNESDAY, 25th April at Trims—
Kagoshima Maru	COLOMBO	Noon.
Bingo Maru	MARSEILLES, LONDON, NEW- CASTLE ON TYNE, and AN'T- WERP, VIA STRAITS, COLOMBO and	() FRIDAY, 27th April, 2 (Daylight.
YAWATA MARU	C PORT SAID	(FRIDAY, 27th April, 3

* Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

For further Information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at Prince's Building, 1st Floor, Chater Road.

> A.S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1900.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

(Freight Service.)



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(Taking Cargo at through Rates to Antwerp, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Lisson, Oporto, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS: NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG! SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES:	
*SIBIRIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	{ April. }	Freight and Passage. Freight and Passage. Freight. Freight and Passage. Freight.

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and July next, to the Credit of Capital TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU:

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. HONGKONG MARU'Y (via Shanghai, Naga- (Tuesday, 8th May, saki, Kobe, Inland at Noon. Sea, Yokohama and

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Thursday, 31st May, Kobe, Inland Sea, at Noon. Yokohama & Hono-

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Tuesday, 26th June, Kobe, Inland Sea, at Noon., Yokohama & Hono-

THE Steamship

"AMERICA MARU," United States, and Europe.

their journey at any point en route.

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Company's and connecting Steamers. Freight will be received on board until 4 Company's and connecting Steamers. P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and

Queen's Building., C. L. GORHAM, Acting Agent. Hangkong, 14th April, 1900,

MAIL STEAMSHIP CO. PACIFIC VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

HONOLULŮ. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. China (via Shanghai,) Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (Tuesday, 18th May, land Sea. Yokohama (and Honolulu) City of Rio de faneiro (via Shanghai, Naga-Saturday, 9th June, saki, Kobe, Inland at Noon: Sea, Yokohama and

Honolulu) City of Peking (via) Shanghai, Nagasaki, (Thursday, 5th July, Kobe, Inland Sca at Noon, « Yokohama & Hono-Iulu)......

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, IN-YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, LAND SEA, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 14th April, at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 15th May, at Noon, taking taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Special rates (first class only) are granted to Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, officials in the service of China and Japan, and Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European Officers in the service of China and Japan, and

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports of the United States, via Overland Railways, to in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.

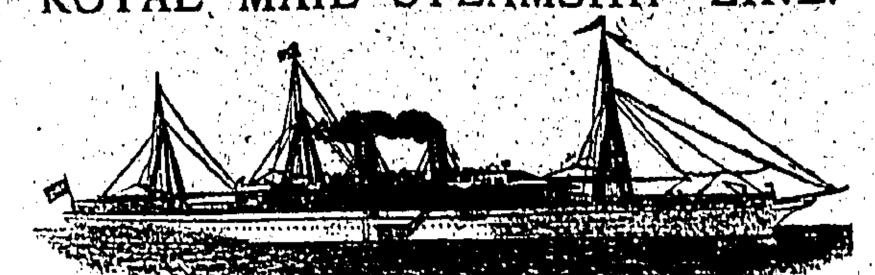
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United States should be sent to the Company's the Steamer). Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,

> C. L. GORHAM, Acting Agent. Hongkong, 21st April, 1900.

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THE FAST KOUTE BETWEEN, CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF INDIA ... Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R... WEDNESDAY, 25th April. EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R.WEDNESDAY, 16th May. EMPRESS OF CHINA ... Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. ... WEDNESDAY, 6th June.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide, Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. UKOWN, General Agent, Pediter's Street. Hongkong, 14th March, 1900.

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON TOPEKA & SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN PORTS,

and Honolulu, The United STATES, &c. Carlisle City..... | 3,002 | about | April 30 about | May 10 Strathgyle 5,023 about | June -Belgian King ... 3,379 Thyra..... 3,812 | about | July 8

THE Steamship "CARLISLE CITY,"

in the United States.;

will be despatched for SAN DIEGO and SAN FRANCISCO, VIA KOBE, YOKO-HAMA and HONOLULU, on MONDAY the 30th April. Through Bills of Lading issued to any point

the day previous to sailing. Parcel packages will be received at the Office until the same LAND SEA, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU, time. All parcels should be marked to address on THURSDAY, the 1st May, at Noon. in full. Value of same is required.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M.

sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego. For futher information as to Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, China and Japan. Hongkong: 12th April, 1900

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.

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AND YOKOHAMA. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA

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FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGA-

TION COMPANY. Monmouthshire | 2,874 | W.A. Evans | May 19 Braentar 3,601 | W. Watt ... | June 9 Monmouthshire | 2,874 | W.A. Evans | Aug. THE attention of Passengers is directed to

the very cheap rates offered by the Line, HONGKONG TO LONDON £47. Excellent accommodation. First-class Tables. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried HONGKONG TO NEW YORK LAL.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery. of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK TOUTE. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of he first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES. HONGKONG TO TACOMA £28.

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address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day the terms and conditions of the Company's previous to sailing.

For further information apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents. Hongkong, 21st April, 1900.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO. CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE:

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (Tuesday, 1st May, land Sea, Yokohama at Noon. and Honolulu). Doric (via Shanghai,) Wednesday, 23rd May, Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (land Sea, Yokohama (at Noon.

and Honolulu).

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, In-Saturday, 14th July, -land Sea, Yokohama at Noon. and Honolulu).

THE Company's Steamship will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO. via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, IN-

Steamers of this Jine pass through the IN-Consular Invoices, to accompany cargo des. LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, tined to Points beyond San Diego, should be and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en roule.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application. Special rates (First-class only) are granted

to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families. Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed

not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe. All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day

a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does

previous to sailing. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs,

For-further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building. C. L. GORHAM,



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA. ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON. (Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA. PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS.). THE Steamship

Captain S. Barcham, carrying Her Maiesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 28th instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all, Cargo, for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c, will be conveyed

land, Or. (whichever may be the destination of P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required. Parcels must be sent to our Office (with ... Shippers are particularly requested to note Bills of Lading,

> For further Particulars, apply to A. M. MARSHALL,

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4

Acting Superintendent.

THE "WELSDACH" SYSTEM OF INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHTING.

(Compiled from Various Sources.).

While the improvement in the different gas burners used, indicated the path of progress, they all failed to realise the full advantage which we now know to be obtainable. It was reserved for Dr. Auer von Welsbach to introduce the system now so well known by

The first public exhibition of Dr. Von Welsbach's system of incandescent gas light, was made in London in February, 1887. that time there were many fears expressed as as to the possibility of the new system being successfully placed on the market on a commercial basis, and for a short while the company had a hard struggle to overcome the difficulties, which are generally met, by those who seek to introduce original work.

These were soon surmounted, and the public are indebted to their untiring exertions for the benefits conferred by such an enormous stride in artificial illumination by means of gas.

The essential feature is the "Mantle" which is woven of "Sea Island" and "Egyptian" Cotton, which has been washed to remove earthy matter and grease. The mantle is at first a network of cylindrical shapes almost twice the size of the finished article. It is then immersed in the lighting fluid, which is composed of the nitrates of thorinum and cerium in the proportions of 99 % thoriumn oxide and I percent of cerium oxide, the solution containing about 14 % of these salts. The excess of the solution, is then removed from the cotton by passing the latter through small wringing | think! rollers, the pressure of which is so regulated, as to leave a definite determined quantity of the solution in the fibres. The mantle is now dried on a mould in a hot air chamber. When dry, the mantles are stretched out to uniform shape, by hand, and then carried to the fixing | ghastly. Where is the mischief?" room, where the top of the impregnated mantle is fixed with it fluid composed of a mixture of another group of rare earths viz :--lanthanum, zirconium, and traces of magnesia, the object being to ensure the shrinkage of that end of the mantle, on the asbestos thread with which it is subsequently sewn, to form the thickened and supporting end of the mantle. When dried, the mantle is sewn and trimmed, and then handed to the "burners" whose duty it is to first shape the mantle on a wooden would, and then to burn off the cotton by means of a Bunsen burner flame, thus leaving a skeleton of the cottom thread composed of the oxides of thorinum and cerium. This skeleton is then heated from the top, downwards, over a high pressure Bunser burner for 3 minutes, during which process it gradually shrinks to almost half its original size, and is caused to take the required shape. The mantle is now finished and ready for use, but as it is too brittle for transit, it has to be stiffened. This is done by dipping it into a solution of collodion and camphor, after which it is dried by hot air, and thence passed to the packers and trimmers.

The extent to which this industry has developed, may be indicated by the fact that at the Palmer Street works of the Welsbach Company over 30,000 mantles are manufactured daily, no less than 500 girls being employed.

In an interesting account of the Welsbach system read by the chemist of the Company Mr. W. Mackean, F.CS. before Society of Chemical Industry in 1891, it is shown, that by altering the nature and composition of the fluid employed for impregnating the mantles, the light obtained can be varied from an intense white light, to a golden yellow or greenish colour, which differ to a certain extent in their diffusive power, the following mixtures giving the lights referred to :-

Zirconium oxide 40 Zirconium oxide 40 Yttiium oxide 20 Lanthanum , 40 Lanthanum , 60 Thorinum , 60

These may be considerably altered without affecting the colour of the light.

YELLOW LIGHT. Lauthanum oxide 40 per cent. Zirconium oxide 47 per cent. Thorinum of 23. then

ORANGE LIGHT. Lanthanun exide 40 Lanthanum exide 50 Thorinum exide 50 , 27 Niobium . io Erblum

According to Mr. Mackean, any other oxides may be employed in the compositions, but the prosence of some, such as alumina, and magnesia, are very detrimental to the duration of

the illuminating power. The mantle is used by suspending it over a Bunson burner in which the air and gas are mixed before arriving at the point of ignition, so that there is a complete absence of the ordinary white flame, but in place of which the metallic oxides of which the mantle is composed become heated to incandescence, and

yield the brilliant light now so well-known. At the time of the introduction of the Welsback system in 1887, the company obtained duty from ordinary 16 candle gas of about 10 candles. Their 1893 burner increased this to about 17 candles, whilst the latest form the 1898 patern is claimed to yield a duty of no less than 27 candles of light per cubic foot of gas consumed, and this even with such a low consumption in the case of their smallest sized burner, of no more than 11 cubic feet per hour. This is truly a marvellous development, and when i is considered in relation to the best results obtainable at the time of the Crystal Palace *Exhibition of 1882-3 shows the wonderful advance which has been made since then, an advance which promises to be paralleled in the case of the incandescent electric light; as by the application of the same principles, viz. the incandescence of these rare metallic oxides, there is every reason to anticipate some early pronouncement of an equally startling character, but of which at present we can only hint, as the initial experiments are not yet fully completed and ready for publication.

AT THE ELEVENTH HOUR.

"Oh, I'm a fraud, really," laughed Daisy Hayward, as she sat up among the cushions of her low basket-couch and held out her hand to her visitor. "There's nothing more the matter with me than a bad attack of laziness. How energetic of you to climb all these stairs, Meg

'Your aunt gave a most melancholy accountof you," returned Mrs. Dynevor; "but somehow I must confess that, as an interesting invalid, you fell flat. Every one is excited about poor little Mrs. Sylvester."

"Why, what has she been doing?" "Extreme things—in the way of upsetting herself out of her pony-cart, and generally

smashing things up." "Not herself?—she isn't hurt really?" asked Miss Hayward quickly,

"" I am afraid she is, badly; she's such a frail little thing at the best, that it seems rather hwful.". "Who is with her?"

Mrs. Dynevor shrugged her shoulders. "The English doctor and her maid." Daisy Hayward was on her feet. "No one "I don't think so. Every one is so

quick, businesslike fashion. "What are you going to .do?" asked Mrs. Dynevor, as Daisy caught up her hat.

"Coing to see if I can be of any use. Can't you imagine what it must be to lie ill in a strange place with only a servant near you?" "I suppose it is rather horrid," returned her visitor comfortably. "But the sun is simply grilling just now."

"You can wait here till it's cooler. Tell my aunt where I am, and not to fash if I don't come home to lunch;" and without another word Daisy Hayward hurried out of the room.

The villa where Mrs. Sylvester lived was at some distance from the Haywards' hotel, and Mrs. Dynever had not exaggerated the heat of the streets of Cannes at midday; but Daisy walked fast in spite of everything. The girl was very fond of the woman she was going to see. Something about the fragile, dark-eyed woman, who mixed so little with the other visitors, had attracted her from the first, and though Lady Hayward, the girl's aunt and chaperon, had but half approved of the friendship, since so little was known of this Mrs. Sylvester, still Daisy had chosen to cultivate her, and she was the one person with whom the tenant of the Villa des Acacias could be

said to be at all intimate. In spite of her strong nerves and her determination not to be startled, the girl felt her colour leave her face as she entered the darkened room, where her friend was: the pale face set in its loosened dark hair, the eager, dilated eyes frightened her.

"I knew you would come," said the sick woman, "Oh, I wanted you so badly, you can't

Daisy bent and kissed her. "I'm going to stay here," she said quietly. "Can I send one of the servants back with a message?" "Is it very bad?" asked Miss Hayward of Queen has occupied a sleeping cabin no fewer. the maid whom she met in the hall. "She looks | than 150 times all told, but she has been aboard

"Something internal. The doctor says it will be a miracle if she pulls through? but I

say she can't—she's so delicate." "It's "awful!" murmured Daisy, choking down a sob, and trying to compose her face before she re-entered the sick-room. " You've been asking them about me?

horrid having it happen like this.' "Don't talk like that Sylvia. In fact, I don't believe you ought to talk at all, or they'll be sending me away. But, of course, you'll want me to write to your husband, unless they have

wired already? "I wouldn't let them; but I should like you to do something for me."

" Anything ! "Really-you mean that?" and the dark eyes fixed her with painful intensity. "Of course I do.'

"Then I want you to wire to-somebody vho is not my husband.".

Something like a laugh-or was it a gasp of pain ?-came from the bed. "I don't understand," stammered Daisy

"How should you? It seems an unpardonable thing to ask you to do-you, a girl. But I'm dying, Daisy-I know it-and my life

hasn't been a happy one.'

"It isn't what you think—at least, not as bad, only-Oh, how can I make you understand? I've been married nearly ten years. My husband is kind enough, good enough, but I'm no more to him than anything else in his house-just a part of the establishment, don't you know, like the old Dresden in the drawingroom: something which is necessary in a well appointed room. It would grieve him if it were broken; he will be sorry when I die. You can't quite replace either-that's all." A bitter little laugh came from the white lips, and she paused a moment. "The only things my husband really cares for are Egyptian mummies and Sanskrit inscriptions, and that sort of thing. I am too modern to count, you see; but there is-I Household, and the boxes which always accommean he has a secretary, a distant relation of some sort, and-" she stopped, and a faint to the hold of the yacht within a space of twenty flush had gathered on her pale cheek

"Yes. He cares. Ah, I know--I've known it for years; though he never said a word, we understand each other. Can't you realise, can't you see that there is only once chance of happiness left for me?---to meet him again, to feel his arms round me for the first and last time, and to whisper the words my heart has been breaking to say all these years."

The passion of her speech was shaking the fragile frame. The bloodless hands were

clasped in wild entreaty. "It isn't much to ask, is it? Some women have love beside them all their lives; I ask for it only for one short hour, the last before the outer darkness."

The entrance of the doctor broke in suddenly upon the strained situation. Daisy Hayward was waiting for him as he came out. "It's a bad case," he replied in answer to her look. "It's good of you to be with her,

Miss Mayward; but you ought not to be alone.' "You think---?" "He nodded.

"Do it, whatever it may be. By the way suppose her people have been communicated with? If I can be of any use, you know, I am quite at your service." in wild entreaty.

Daisy thanked him, and returned to Mrs. Sylvester's room. "Well?" The word was little more than a whisper, but its eager intensity was almost

Where shall I find the address?" said

l will dictate it to you—Thornton, 113 Queen Anne's Gate.' "What shall I say?"

"There's no time to break the news. Say, Sylvia dying—come at once." "You think he'll come?" Daisy could not refrain from asking, as she rose to get her hat. A proud-light leapt into the colourless face:

"I know it!" And your husband will not think it odd

"Not at all. Henry will fancy it was done to save him the shock." Daisy sent off the message herself. She had an uncomfortable sense of having been drawn into a situation which her nature revolted against, but that there would be absolute cruelty in refusing this one draught of joy to those parched lips | and, after all, Sylvia was dying,

and no harm could come of it. "He can be here by ten to-morrow," said Mrs Sylvester, as Daisy re-entered the room. am going to be so good, so quiet, till then. I want to save all my strength."

The doctor at his next visit was amazed at finding his patient so much calmer. "Perhaps-there is just a loophole. She is All the crew of the royal yacht are petty

as he bade Miss Bayward good-night. It was early next morning when the girl and begin at 14s. per week, but afterwards rise re-entered the sick-room. Her friend was flushed, her eager eyes fixed on the clock; she had scarcely time to greet Daisy; her every fibre seemed to the stretched in an ecstasy of

expectation. wheels on the gravel outside. Daisy's own ventilation, natural light to all cabins, and heart beat faster as a man's step came quickly generally speaking will be in very comfortable Grimsby could swear to one woman in all that along the small passage; another second, the quarters. But no one cares to help her," returned the door was opened and a tall figure strode into A story which is always repeated whenever prisoner in guilty I should go against my

maid in a case like this?" And she began to where she was. Sylvia's little cry, the ghastly coccasion the crew were unable to get at the set her hair right in front of the glass in a | change in her face, arrested her; but before she | grog cask because the Queen's chair was in had time to think the stranger was on bis knees by the beside, and the girl could see his big hands tremble as they stretched towards | she was permitted to taste the grog, to the | the case. the tiny figure which reclined there.

"Sylvia, my darling-my poor little wife.! It isn't true-I can't believe it ! You must live, you must !" And the grizzled head buried itself among the bedelothes, while the man's months ago, when he was in the "Osborne," body shook with tearless sobs.

"Henry!" Daisy's eyes opened wide as the service was read in the hearing of the royal significance of the situation dawned upon her. | patient, and her Majesty remained for some

You came—you—— "Did you think I would not? your telegram was addressed to Thornton, but he's away, and they brought it to me. He's been away some time now, & Didn't I tell you? Hels engaged to one of the Grainger girls, and has gone to stay down there.

Daisy felt her heart stop beating as these words struck her ear. She made a step forward, but at that moment Sylvia's eyes met hera; and then, without a word, the sick woman's head dropped upon her husband's shoulder, and Miss Hayward stole softly from the room.—R. Times.

WHEN HER MAJESTY IS AFLOAT.

THE ROUTINE IS MOST CAREFULLY PLANNED.

The occasions during her lifetime upon which the Queen has passed a night at sea may be counted upon the fingers. They were all in the early days of her reign, when sailing from London to Scotland, and later on when cruising down Channel and in the Hebrides. Within the last twenty years her Majesty had paid seventeen visits to Germany, France, and Italy in the spring, but during each voyage, if the l night was spent on board at all, the royal yacht was always safely moored in harbour. during daylight trips—as' when crossing the Soleat -- about 150 times as well.

. If the time spent by her Majesty affoat were collected into one continuous cruise, instead of being scattered over about seventy years, it would not fill six months. The Queen has never travelled farther north than Loch Brora, near Dunrobin, or farther south than Hyeres, don't mind really, you know, except that it's | in the Mediterranean, a distance by latitude of 900 miles. The most westerly point of any of her journeyings is Killarney, and the mosteasterly is Germany. Yet the three yachts which in their turn have borne the name of 6 Victoria and Albert" have cost upwards of £600,000 in initial expense, and an equal amount in repairs, apart from the pay of the crews, and many other items of maintenance. In the year 1855, the second "Victoria and Albert " was launched, and her cost up to that time was £136,441. She is a wooden, copper sheathed paddle boat of 2,470 tons, with a length of 338 feet, a maximum indicated horsepower of 2,400, and a normal speed of fifteen or sixteen knots.

A new yacht, to bear the same name, has been launched at Pembroke in the present year. She will cost before her first voyage 1360,000, and is a twin-screw steel vessel with a length of 439 feet, a tonnage of 4,700, ar indicated horsepower of 11,000, a speed of I twenty knots, and accommodation for a crew of 378. Her most interesting feature will be "Tell me," returned the girl in an uncertain | the electric installation, which, lighting the wessel, will also heat the State cabins, work the lifes from deck to deck, the pumps, hoists, capstan, and ventilating fans.

> The routine observed when her Majesty goes to sea is carefully planned out. As soon, for example, as it has been determined that the Court shall move to the Isle of Wight, the Equerry in-Waiting notifies the railway authorities concerned, and also the commander of the royal yacht, who thereupon arranges to be alongside a wharf at Portsmouth or Gosport the night before. All men on furlough are recalled from leave, and everything is made spick and span. The heavy baggage arrives by an early train, or is conveyed by another vessel the day before. The personal luggage of the members of the | pany the Queen, are transferred from the train minutes or so.

At length everything is in readiness to depart and the Queen is assisted into a wheeled chair which is conveyed to that part of the yacht which is most nearly upon a level with the quay. Thence she is conveyed to the level of the main deck, where she walks along the broad and handsome corridor which leads to her own

Sometimes, especially when a crossing of less than an hour's duration is in progress, the Queen remains on the upper deck in the royal pavilion. This is twenty-five feet long each way, and i has three large square windows, enabling view of the scenery to be obtained without exposure to the wind. There are a couple of sofas and several easy chairs and tables, and when her Majesty is affoat all the saloons used by her are made gay with flowering plants. There is a painted porcelain stove, which is al ways used during the winter journeys, and the windows are hung with frilled muslin curtains.

When the Queen crosses the Channel. forder to proceed across France to the Mediterranean, the preparations are far more elaborate. As soon as her Majesty has embarked, the ships in harbour dress the yards, and everything is made gay with bunting. By her express command the royal salutes to which she is entitled are omitted, because the detonation causes discomfort. The usual arrangement is is for the Queen to embark overnight, and for the yacht to be hauled off shore to her moorings, which she leaves at an early hour on the following day. This enables the journey from, Windsor to Cherbourg to be accomplished in

two days, and the nights are spent in harbour. Even if the crossing be to Boulogne, as last year, arrangements for one night abroad are made. The vessel is accompanied by a Trinity House yacht and an Admiralty cruiser, and every precaution is taken against the intrusiveness of inquisitive boating parties when the yacht is in harbour. The new yacht, by means of a Marconi installation, will be able to maintain uninterrupted communication with the shore at every moment of the voyage.

Her Majesty's apartments are three in number. There is a cabin, with a brass four-poster, canopy bedstead and a huge sofa; a dressingroom, containing a writing and toilet table combined; and a wardrobe-room, occupied by the dresser. In the new yacht each of these cabina is larger and more lofty. The dining-room is immediate return was expected by all. captains. The drawing-room is in maple, and an hour passed before they re-entered the sad monotony. She has not yet received her like the gift of a new head." She half, apolobears portraits of the Royal Family upon its | court. walls. There are a piano, a book-case, and a portable electric lamp. In the new yacht also foreman. the Queen will have similar accommodation, but on a larger scale.

very young, she may pull through," he said, as officers, of a certain height, and having the best | same mind, but the other man disagrees." characters. They are reduced in rank and pay, to 28s, per week, with free clothes, better food, the twelfth man is not?" and less exacting duties than in the regular service. They do no washing, they have no working clothes, and are obliged to volunteer for a twelvemonth as a minimum. In the new

girl rather scornfully, "What's the use of a the room. In spite of herself, Daisy stayed men of the royal yacht meet, runs, that on one conscience."

front of it. On being apprised of this her Majesty consented to move, on condition that

delight of the Blue-lackets. On one occasion only has the Queen visited a royal yacht on Sunday. It was during the. convalescence of the Prince of Wale seighteen recovering from the injury to his knee. Divine time to cheer her son.

THE ODD MAN ON THE JURY.

"There you are, miss, said the police-constable, throwing open the door of cell No. 11. His prisoner, a fair young woman of great personal attractions, shuddered as she looked into the bare place. The officer was about to lock her in when she spoke to him.

"At what time will the hearing be?" she in "Can't say exactly. Somewhere between eleven and twelve most likely," answered the

officer, who then turned the key and went off. The pale prisoner laid her face upon her hands and sobbed pitcously. Two hours and freedom and hope unlimited were hers, and as Sister Winifred, of St. Margaret's—one of the most popular hospitals of South-western London-she rejoiced in the possession of the con fidence and respect alike of the heads of the institution and her fellow-workers. Now behold her charged with a disgraceful theft; and with out the means of proving her innocence."

That afternoon Sister Winifred had been on the point of going off duty when she had been arrested on a charge of having taken a lady's bicycle-not her own- from a suburban innetion. Doctor Stanmore, the house surgeon at St. Margaret's and Winifred Rymer's devoted but as yet unacknowledged lover, and the matron and chaplain had all three seen the police officer, and smilingly assured him that it was a

case of mistaken identity. ---Their assertions had been received with stolid indifference, and in the end a cab was called and Sister Winifred was carried off to the police station. On this painful errand the doctor and matron accompanied the terrified girl, and offered bail, on behalf of the hospital authorities, to whatever amount might be required. This-by an excess of duty as afterwards appeared—was refused, and poor Win fred was finally committed, as stated, to the solitude of cell No. 11, there to await conveyance on the morrow to Wandsworth Polic Court.

The morning was well on when the prisoner received her summons. She turned quite faint upon finding herself face to face with a crowded court, and it was all she could do to keep back the tears of shame and terror.

. The doctor and matron were present, and both smiled at her in the most heartening manner. These smiles, however, slowly evaporated as the case took its painful course. Appearances, alas! were dead against the prisoner, and the railway company, who had lately been severely victimised by the "bicycle thief," seemed determined to make an example of the present offender.

The chief witness was Grimsby, the railway porter, who swore most positively to Sister Winified as the person who had presented a paper signed Ellen Humphries, and to whom he, in consequence, had delivered the bicycle. The machine in question was the property of Nurse Ellen, also an official of St. Margaret's. She had been spending her holiday in Staines, and in returning to London had left the bicycle at the Junction to be called for between four and five o'clock the same day. Subsequently, being unable to go herself, Nurse Ellen had purposed sending a messenger, and had written an order, authorising the bearer to receive the machine.

This order had most mysteriously disappeared, and had, it was alleged, been appropriated by Sister Winifred, she being the only person who knew that the bicycle was deposited at the Junction, and herself desperately eager-as was well known-to possess a machine. On the afternoon of the theft, moreover, the prisoner had unexpectedly made a request for a few hours' leave to see an aunt of hers, and was absent from the hospital from three to six.

Now this aunt was known to live at Battersea; but the accused had no means to prove the alibi which the solicitor for the defence set up, for Mrs. Rymer, the aunt mentioned, was absent from home at the time, and her niece had entered the house by means of the latchkey which she possessed. The statement made b the defence, to the effect that the accused had sat reading in her aunt's armchair until it was time to take the return journey, could in no wise be proved, unfortunately, for neither on arrival nor departure had Winffred been noticed

even by a neighbour. That which the girl herself, which her sur porters mostly feared, occurred. The magi strate sent the case for trial.

The next day, bail having now been accepted the unfortunate sister returned to her post at St. Margaret's, in deference to the emphatic desire of the authorities there. No stone was left unturned in collecting funds and evidence yet it was with a quaking heart that the devoted lover saw the eventful day of the trial approach.

The momentous morning arrived.

Mr. Octavius Graham, the noted popular counsel engaged for the defence, made short work of the minor witnesses. Nurse Ellen became his especial victim. It was known that on a recent occasion Sister Winifred had caused the former to be reported for lapse of duty; and counsel openly taxed her with having involved his client in this shameful business from sheer spite and vindictiveness.

Finding he could not shake the testimony of Grimsby, the porter, he cast stinging ridicule upon the idea of a man in his position swearing to the identity of one particular woman among the hundreds he must see through the day. Finally he bore glowing witness to the blameless life of the accused, and demanded of the jury the honourable acquittal which he declared was his client's due.

up: no jury could possibly acquit in face of such evidence as had been put in. Winifred | the East Endusually walks abroad bareheaded gave herself up for lost

Scarcely a creature moved after the "Iwelve men good and true" had left the court, for their | and is also picturesque, so to be commended.

astonishment.

cleven of you are for a verdict of guilty, and

ence we were bound to find the prisoner guilty "It's me that's the odd-man amongst us," of jurymen. "I don't see how the witness crowd, your lordship; and by bringing the

judge then gravely called upon the prisoner to surrender in due time to a second trial, allowed the bail tendered to stand good, and dismissed

Winified cast one heartbroken look upon her lover, and fell half fainting into the matron's arms. As they were taking the wretched girl to a carriage that was awaiting the hospital party, a bystander stepped deliberately into the sister's path.

It was the odd man on the jury; and so lurgent, so appealing, were the looks he cast upon Winifred that she involuntarily stopped. | deal-the difference between starvation and Dr. Stanmore, however, anxious to get his | comfort; such a thin line separates the two. betrothed away, hurried her into the carriage. The Sister glanced from the window as they the woman's stern face of self-repression moved off. On the kerb stood the juryman, | changes, she similes, she greets you as a his sombre eyes pursuing her to the last. 177 ...

The girl was the mere shadow of her beautiful and buoyant self, the shame, the mystery. of that tragical charge being ever with her. The thought of that dissenting juryman pursued her, too. Something deeper than a passing pity seemed to actuate the man when he sought her out after the trial. ' Yet what interest could she, a complete stranger, have for him? One morning—it was within three days of the second trial-Nurse Doris was pondering the matter when a poor creature who had been run over was brought into the accident ward where Winifred was on duty.

most," whispered the doctor after a brief ex-

Nurse Doris drew the screen about the bed. and sat down beside the dying woman. Presently she opened her dull eyes and, lifting her head, looked fixedly at the nurse.

"Sister Winifred!" she said with a gasping breath, and fell back upon the pillow. "You know me?" whispered Winifred.

"I was there-in the court when-it wasn't you who—who——" the lids dropped over the l failing eyes.

Winifred sank down at the bedside. "You know the truth!" she sobbed. "Oh. as you are a dying woman, as you hope for mercy, tell me who was the thief !" The poor soul made one expiring effort to

speak; but with the words on her lips she died. Later Nurse Doris was found stretched in a deep swoon across the body of the dead In the evening of that day Winifred, white and worn from the morning's shock, had a | the bayonet. The enemy's fire was just like a

summons to go to see a visitor who had arrived at the hospital in connection with the deceased · On entering the waiting-room Nurse Doris found herself face to face with the odd man on

'Sister Winifred" he gasped.

"Nurse Doris!" answered he, and his face went white. "Then it was you who attended that poor soul now lying dead?"

"Yes. Do you know her?" cried Winifred and a wild hope of restitution, of salvation, thrilled her from head too foot. "This woman was in the court on the day of the trial. She called me by my true name. She would have told me the truth, but she-she-died. Do you know," asked she chokingly, what " it is she would have said to me? Ah, you do! Speak, man. Who is this woman?"

"She was my wife," answered he brokenly. "Your wife! She was your wife! Ah, now l understand," she cried, breaking into a storm of tears, "it was she who stole the bicycle; and you knew it, and tried to save me by dissenting from the other jurymen. Oh, cruel, cruel!" To this Arthur Longman answered not a

word. Shame and contrition held him dumb.

"How did she-your wife-know about this

bicycle?" asked Winifred then, "Nurse Ellen was her sister, but the whole family disowned her because of her drunken habits," he explained. "My wife discovered that the bicycle was at the Junction through Ellen calling at our house and speaking of it to me. She-my wife-gothold of the order which her sister had written; and went and fetched the machine and sold it the same day to get drink It was only while the trial was on the way that knew the truth; and when I had to choose bet ween you and her, who was the mother of my children and once the light of her home, I-oh forgive me !—! determined, at every hazard, to save her. But we have all had our punishment Nurse Ellen, who must have guessed the truth. has been dismissed from her post; I have no known an hour's peace since; and she-my wife-lies dead. Sister will you-can you-

forgive me?" "I have suffered a martyrdom," answered she through her tears: "but I will forgive you if you will restore my honest name to me." "All that mortal man can do shall be done,"

cried he vehemently; "and a telegram to Doctor Stanmore shall be the first act towards reparation. Widely as your disgrace was known, Sister Winifred, so shall your innocence now be proclaimed 1"-Advocate of India.

[BY LADY V. GREVILLE.]

A yellow fog outside, a long, low, dismal room, barn-like, draughty, ill-lighted by a couple of gas-jets, scantily furnished, boasting a table and benches. At the table a sprinkling I of ladies, on the benches some women, quiet, pallid, wrapped in shawls, mostly carrying babies. It is the relief committee of the Eastout the weekly pittances. The women wait with stolid patience, taking their turn. They advance to the table, decently dressed, wearing No one could mistake the judge's summing the Sunday bonnet or hat of feathers; this is mark of respect to the ladies, for the denizen of or with a shawl thrown over her head like the Irish peasant. The practice tends to economy,

the puny infant wearily to her bosom. They tion of yourself; don't make faces; don't inhale, are strangely kind to their children, these poor and avoid cheap cigarettes." it is natural, it is inevitable, it is fate. Only, is nothing more likely to hring her to her baby frote for his daddy, and won's eat as he senses."

There was a moment's dead silence. The | should, Every one is kind, every one helps a little; the landlady does not press for her rent, employers in many cases have given weekly. sums to the wives of their workmon, or mates have subscribed and offered the wife' ton shillings a week. Everywhere the story runs of generosity, good-fellowship, self-denial, and

kindness. The dock labourer's wife fares worst. At best the work is precarious, the pay small, the employers varied, and therefore feeling no responsibility to help the wives. A few shilllings a week to each of these means a great After a week or two of acquaintance

friend, she waxes garrulous. She tells As Nurse Doris, in one of the East-End | of her troubles, of her health, of her childcharitable institutions, with whose head physi- ren; she shows you her letters, proud in cian her family had a personal acquaintance, the possession of a communication from Winifred Rymer began a new and burdened her man. "He fought in the big fight, ma'am," life. Secretly and quickly she had disappeared | she says; "there was a lot of his regiment from St. Margaret's, determined to efface her- | killed, but he came out safe." This is looked self as far as possible for the present. Letters | upon almost as a sign of personal intelligence and messages were left for all concerned, but by some, by others as a special interposition of until the time of the second trial should be at | Providence. These poor souls are very simple: hand Winifred's fixed resolve was to see no one | they rarely realize their rights, in many cases save the solicitor who had acted for her in the | they know not the sums they are entitled to from the War Offic, they cannot write, and if they could they don't know to whom to write. The ladies are their friends, their helpers, their advisors. They write to commanding officers. tell the women to whom to apply, what to do, where to go, how to obtain medical aid gratis, or letters to hospitals—for many of them are ill from fretting, many are expectant mothers, and many need a welcome change to a convalescent home. In return for all this they confide to you their opinion, that the "lorsepital is a regular slaughter-louse," that marriage lines are a kind of magic fetish, that the War Office is a great mysterious entity "Internal injury. No hope. An hour at the | fraught to them with the omnipotence of a god. " My 'usband left so suddenly," they explain, "he had no time to tell me nothing, but he thought it would be all right;" and the absent-

minded beggar did not trust in vain. The soldiers me splended at correspondence to their wives. They write constantly to their mothers also, graphic, vivid sketches of their life, which bring before us the grim realities of war. For Tommy can write, sometimes with I a lead pencil on the field of hattle, even

his wife can't. One soldier on the Orange River told his mother: "We are having a rough time of it; we have nothing to eat but dry biscuits and coffee, and the same for tea." Another, a Scaforth Highlander in the awful battle of Magersfontein, thus describes its fierce reality: "The enemy was waiting for us. When we came up to within one hundred yards of their trenches they opened fire; then someone gave the order to retire. If we had advanced we should have taken the hill at the point of hailstorm. It is a wonder there is any of my company left. From 4.30 in the morning till two or three o'clock we lay in the one place. I believe the enemy took us to be dead. As soon as we began to move a hail of builets would come out, and the men were dropping like a flock of birds being shot. . . . We all Silence " said she sternly. 'I am Nurse | returned to camp, and that night many a hard man went on his knees to God."

So we share their simple joys and sorrows, and their quiet pride in the brave boys fighting. The worst is when new-made widows, who have learned their loss only that day, come up with stifled sobs, still white faces, and marvellous self-repression, to tell us the news of their husbands' death. The old mothers sobmost, and are more demonstrative in their grief. The young wives look dazed; they neither complain nor murmur. "He is gone"-that's all: the breadwinner, the stalwart young follow of twenty-three, and they will never see him again.. "Baby will miss his daddy," till, growing older and more wise, he ceases to remember that he ever had a father.—Exchange.

SHOULD LADIES SMOKE?

In the Lady's Realm this vexed question is discussed at some length by five well-known ladies. Ayes, 4; Noes, I. Majority in favour, It should be remarked, however, that the Ayes are given with reservations.

"Of course they should, if they like it," says the Princess Gagarine, although she continues: -" Personally I dislike it heartily, and nothing would make me take it up," and adds that "no woman would smoke cigars and look as horrid. as she does unless she really found some pleasure in it." On the whole, the Princess attached so many qualified protests to her vote that the pro-smokers had better regard her as somewhat of a broken reed.

The Hon. Mrs. Mhetwynd thinks that "it depends upon the 'how' and the 'when,' and the 'where' and the 'why," But few will be disposed to contradict her when she asserts that-" Nothing can look worse than to see a woman lounging about at a milway station with perhaps a cigar in her month and a vulgar swagger worthy of that cigar." If, however, a woman is only to smoke when she has satisfied herself that her doing 50 will annoy and shock no one, it is to be feared that her chances of enjoying a cigarette will be-at all events, for the present -greatly limited. The oft-urged argument against smoking, on the ground of the smell of stale tobacco, Mrs. Chetwynd dismisses at once. "This," she says, "any refined woman gets rid of very easily "; while the chief argument upon which she bases her defence is that "women have to bear, often in 'silence, much that so essentially tries the nerves, that no soluce or shooting influence should be denied them." Men can get away from those "incessant little worries" which often make woman's existence so harassing. / She adds, however, that-"Where those whom a woman is bound to consider have a fixed and rooted objection to woman smoking (even the postprandial End branch of the S. S. F. A. engaged in doling | cigarette,) of course she must resign herself to

the deprivation." Miss Moresia Novil argues that what is sauce for the gander is also sauce for the goose. She also is strongly of opinion that it depends on how it is done and 'where' it is done, and a lady will never do it when it is likely to annoy or give

· Mrs. Hugh Frascrassures us that "any woman who sits, as I do, seven and sometimes eight Each woman tells her tale: usually the hours a day at her writing-table will find that in mahogany, and contains portraits of former | they did not appear for some time. Well-nigh | same one, which fulls on the car with a | there are moments when a good cigarette is money from the War Office, or if she has, it gises for her old-fashioned belief that in such "We cannot agree, your lordship," said the | barely does more than pay the rent, which may | matters we should consult the feelings of our be in arrear. The baby is ill, has fretted for I men, and concludes with the sound-advice: "You cannot agree!" cried the judge in its daddy, and the mother saying this presses I "Learn how to do it before making an exhibi-

women; humour their fancies, bear with their Miss Evelyn Lang, on the contrary, replies "Do you mean," asked the judge, "that crying, the shrill wail of a sickly little one, try- to this delicate question, "In my opinion, most ing, to tell its pain and disappointment with I decidedly not". Who can imagine, she says, a life. Some women have a look of hopeless smoking mother tending her child, or a smok-"Yes, your lordship; according to the evid- resignation; others show traces of tears; ing nurse watching a patient? The argument some are fairly cheerful, and smile as they are of the unhealthiness of the habit, so lightly spoken to; but all wear the stamp of patience disposed of by some of the writers, weights here said a dark, sad-faced individual, seeing strongly printed on their faces. There is no heavily with her. She is probably right in her: At last there was the sound of carriage yacht they will have hot and cold baths, electric | the judge's gase travel slowly over the group | murmuring, no wild rebellion; they have given | idea that a woman who wants to smoke will be their nearest and dearest to the nation, and they smoke, "but," she exclaims, "I think her a are prepared that he should shed his heart's | Borrid, unfeminine creature for all that, and I blood for his country. They don't complain i hope men will shun her as she deserves there

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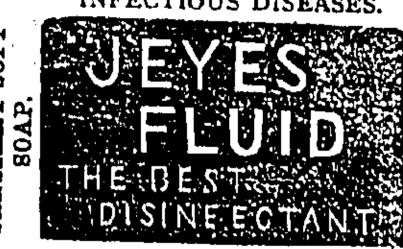
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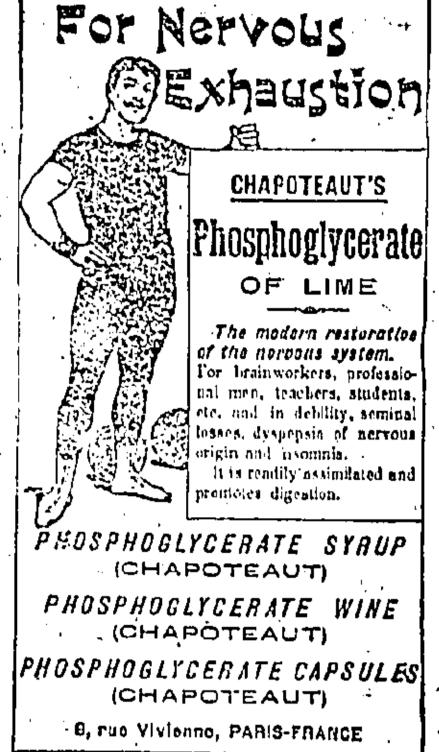
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CLARA, German steamer, 675, A. Hansen, 18th April,-Hollow 17th April, General.-Jebsen & Co. : DEVAWONGSE, British steamer, 1,057, R. Curtis, 17th April,-Saigon 13th April, General.-Yuen Fat Hong.

EMPRESS OF INDIA, British steamer, 3,003, O. P. Marshall, R.N.R., 17th April,-Vancouver 26th Mar., and Shanghai 14th April, Mails and General.-C. P.-R. Co. FAUSANG, British steamer, 1,410, T. A. Mitchell, 18th April,-Java oth April, Sugar,-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

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April,-Haiphong and Hoihow 18th April, General.—A. R. Marty. HECTOR, British steamer, 3,005, J. Barr, 18th April,-Shanghai 15th April, General.-Buttorfield & Swire.

Okumas, 14th April, -Saigon toth April, Rice. - Dodwell & Co., Ld. INDEPENDENT, German steamer, 871, A. Haltz, 12th April,—Samarang 3rd April, General.
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TAMSUI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,007, K. , Sobajima, 20th April, -Amoy and Swatow 19th April, General,-Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

18th April,-Saigon 14th April, Rice.-Siemssen & Co. Sailing Vessels. ESMERALDA, British schooner, 130, J. T. Har-

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